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CHARGED WITH CRIME.

Clifton C. Knorr Arrested, Charged with Attempting to Destroy the Residence of L. E. Waller, Esq., last September.

Clifton C. Knorr was arrested in Reading by Detective William Henderson of Philadelphia, and brought here on Monday morning, where he was given a hearing before John M. Clark Esq., and committed to jail for trial on the charges of throwing an explosive with intent to destroy property, and also with intent to take life, in September last at the residence of L. E. Waller Esq. It will be remembered that an explosive of some kind was placed on Mr. Waller's porch, and that the porch was badly shattered, and all the windows in the front of the house were broken. It seems now that suspicion fell on young Knorr at the time, and a detective was put on the case resulting in his arrest as above stated.

No sooner was the prisoner lodged in jail than the air was filled with all sorts of rumors, and great excitement prevailed throughout the town. It was said that Knorr had made a confession in which he implicated others, and though the public had no positive knowledge of the nature of this confession, Dame Rumor set herself busily at work to supply all the details.

The disclosures in the case were the absorbing topic of conversation. It would be improper to state at this time the nature of the evidence as it is heard on the street, for it is not anthenticated. Public judgment should be withheld until the evidence is produced in court, and then if the accused persons are found guilty they should suffer the fullest penalty of the law, but no one should be condemned without a full and fair hearing before the proper tribunal. The case will probably be tried at February court.

On Thursday morning, L. S. Wintersteen Esq., was arrested on the charge of being an accessory before the fact. A hearing was held before J. M. Clark Esq. Messrs. Scarlet, Herring and Rhawn appearing with the District Attorney for the prosecution, and Fred Ikeler Esq., representing Mr. Wintersteen. Clifton Knorr was called as a witness and swore that he was employed to blow up Mr. Waller's residence by L. S. Wintersteen.

Several other witnesses were heard on behalf of the commonwealth, but none were heard for the defense, as it is not the practice to hear the defendant on a preliminary hearing. After hearing the evidence the Justice held Mr. Wintersteen for trial, and he gave bail for his appearance at next court.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

On Saturday a petition was presented to the court asking for the appointment of a receiver for the Bloomsburg Banking Company. B. F. Zarr Esq., was appointed, and Frank Ikeler and J. V. Logan were appointed appraisers and are now engaged in the performance of their duties. Their report will be filed within thirty days.

Phillip Hess and Effie Shoemaker were married at the home of the bride at Central, on Saturday, Dec. 26th. They took the 8:06 train on the B. & S. for Benton, where they were serenaded by the band of that place, and on their return to Central were serenaded by the Central band. Mr. Hess and lady responded and they were greeted with best wishes through life by many friends.

Miss Bertha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Perry of Elk Grove, was married to Frank Dershimer of Ricketts, Pa., at high noon on the 23rd inst. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Tubbs of Jamison City, in the presence of about sixty invited guests. The presents were many and costly. The bride and groom departed on the 5 p. m. train for a month's wedding trip. A GUEST.

The Bloomsburg Social Club held their first annual dance and card party in Evans Hall on Christmas afternoon and night. There were about forty couple present, including some from other towns. The music was furnished by Prof. Wyle's orchestra of Danville. All had an enjoyable time.

"Peck's Bad Boy," and a merry company of singers and dancers will be the attraction at the Opera House on New Years night. A hearty laugh is in store for all who attend the side splitting comedy.

MR. COMLY'S ANNUAL DINNER.

Hon. Joshua W. Comly of Danville, is now past eighty-six years of age. He retired from active practice of the law some years ago, and has been leading a retired life among his books ever since. When at the bar he was known all over the state as a lawyer of great ability and a man of the strictest honor and integrity. For some years past it has been his custom to give a dinner in December to a number of his legal friends. In accordance with this custom, on Tuesday last there gathered at his office in Danville a number of gentlemen to participate in the banquet.

There were present Judge H. M. Hinckley, I. X. Grier, James Scarlet, E. S. Gearhart, Dr. Vorhees, W. J. Baldy of Danville; Judge J. C. Bucher of Lewisburg; Judge W. M. Rockefeller, Hon. S. P. Wolverton, Geo. Hill, James Packer, of Sunbury; Hon. H. C. Parsons, Addison Candor of Williamsport; Hon. C. R. Buckalew, Col. J. G. Freeze, Geo. E. Elwell, of Bloomsburg; C. C. Faries, John Norris, and J. Norris Bogle, nephews of Mr. Comly, of Milton.

At three o'clock the party went to the Montour House dining room, and sat down to an elegant dinner, the bill of fare of which included Blue Points on half shell, snapper soup, boiled salmon, pheasant, venison, quail on toast, chicken salad, ice cream, cake, coffee, fruits and nuts. Vegetables were served with each course of game. The cooking was all that the most fastidious taste could desire, and the service was excellent. The Montour House is deservedly popular for its good management under S. B. Chrisman and J. L. Reihl. After two hours of pleasure at the table, the guests returned to Mr. Comly's office and spent the time socially until the hour of departure arrived.

It is the wish of all who were present that their distinguished host may be spared for many years to come.

The entertainment given at the Lutheran Church on Monday night, by Prof. Howe and the new invention, the Animotiscope, was of a high order and all who failed to attend threw away an opportunity to see one of the finest entertainments witnessed in town for a long time. The life like movements of the different pictures shown, made one almost think they were real, among the most notable scenes was the Atlantic in a storm, and the thrilling escapes from fires. The audience was not as large as it should have been, but we presume many stayed away, believing it to be a magic lantern show. We understand that he will give another entertainment in town this winter, when he will no donbt be greeted with a large audience.

While riding down the side walk from the Normal School on Wednesday morning, Joe, son of J. D. Armstrong, met with a serious accident. He was lying on his sled, when some one pushed him from behind, stricking his head against a tree. He was taken home in an unconscious condition. Upon examination his forehead was found to be cut, and it is believed he was internally injured. He is not considered to be in a dangerous condition.

HOME WEDDING.

The home of Geo. W. Utt, of Rohrsburg was the scene of a pretty wedding at noon on Tuesday, when his daughter Susie was married to Clark P. Eyerly of Bloomsburg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. P. Morse, in the presence of a number of invited guests. The gifts were many and handsome.

Court Proceedings.

Masteller vs. Sugarloaf township, a suit for damages was tried, and verdict for defendant.

Estate of Sarah Reeder, W. A. Evert appointed auditor.

In the matter of the fund realized from the Sheriff's Sale of personal property of Samuel Smith, A. L. Fritz appointed auditor.

The music at St. Paul's Church on Christmas and on Sunday last was pronounced to be very fine, and the choir was greatly assisted by the presence of Mrs. Ella Fox Gilbert, whose rich contralto voice added much to the excellence of the services.

Mrs. John Hedden, aged 36 years, of Catawissa, died of heart trouble on Tuesday morning.

A TERRIBLE WRECK.

A TRAIN PLUNGES ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FEET.

Twenty-seven Lives Lost by a Bridge Disaster—Of Those on Board Ten Escaped Death—Railroad Officials Say it Was the Work of Train Wreckers.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 31.—Twenty-seven persons were killed and several others fatally injured by the plunge of a train through the Cahaba River Bridge, near Birmingham, at 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

All the details of the catastrophe now in the possession of the authorities tend to prove conclusively that the wreck was the work of train wreckers, probably the same who tried to wreck a train at McComb's trestle and robbed another train on the Southern Railway, in Lafayette County, several days ago.

Another train bearing rescuers was in collision with a lumber train near the scene of the wreck, and one man was killed and another injured.

The train was derailed, ran against the side of the bridge, broke through and then plunged 120 feet into the gorge which the structure spanned. Fire followed the fall, and barely ten of those on board escaped death.

It is believed by the train officials that a rail was taken up by train robbers, and a surviving passenger says he saw three men robbing the dead.

READY FOR A SHEEP WAR.

Colorado Cattlemen Arm Against the Edwardses.

Denver, Col., Dec. 31.—The Colorado sheep war has broken out again, and promises this time to be extremely serious. For the last few days cattlemen, ranchmen, and others interested in maintaing the range of Routt County for the benefit of cattle have been congregating in the northwestern portion of the county at a point on lower Snake River,

The men came in twos and threes and in companies numbering as many as thirty five. Every man is well mounted and thoroughly armed. They are evidently determined to enforce the removal of the sheep from Routt County, and have agreed among themselves that the boundary line between Colorado and Wyoming shall be the dividing point between the cattle and sheep ranges. There are perhaps 250 well armed men in the cause. Military rule has been adopted and the men are divided into companies, each company having a captain, with a commander-in-chief in charge of the entire force. Great caution is observed, owing to a report which was received to the effect that Grif and Jack Edwards, the principal sheep owners, have secured the services of a large force to meet the stockmen.

CRUSOE'S ISLAND SINKS.

Story of the Sinking of Juan Fernandez Apparently Confirmed.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Robinson Crusoe's Island, Juan Fernandez, has been swallowed up by the sea. The rumor of the island's disappearance was first circulated several weeks ago by a sea captain at Lisbon, but the report was not believed at the time. The story was to-day given what is considered verification by Captain Powell, of the James Kerr, now in this port. The Kerr has just arrived from New Castle, New South Wales, and Captain Powell says that the story of the Spanish skipper seems to be true in every particular.

The Spanish captain stated that from the deck of his vessel he had seen the island go under, and that the sea all around was disturbed as if by the force of a submarine earthquake. Captain Powell and his ship were tied up in New Castle owing to a big strike there, and while he was in port several vessels arrived. Every captain had word of the remarkable occurrence, and the story was generally believed by seafaring men.

THE SULTAN OBSTINATE.

He Will Permit No Interference by the Powers.

Constantinople, Dec. 31.—The Russian Ambassador, M. de Nelidoff, on Saturday, acting in concert with the representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany and Austria, had an audience of the Sultan, Abdul Hamid, to insist upon a better administration of the affairs of the Turkish Empire.

The Sultan remained obdurate so far as consenting to concede any measure of control to the Powers, financial or otherwise.

To this the Russian Ambassador replied that the condition of the Turkish Empire placed the throne and the Caliphate in imminent peril.

Thereupon Abdul Hamid remarked, impressively:

"I may be the last of the Caliphs, but I will never become a second Khedive."

EQUAL SUFFRAGE FOR WOMEN.

Its Value attested by Leading Public Men of Colorado.

Denver, Dec. 31.—"In view of false rumors circulated in other States," the leading men and women of Colorado, irrespective of parry, have united in a circular, "as lovers of truth and justice," testifying to the value of equal suffrage for woman. It is sighned by the Governor and Governor-elect, two ex-Governors, both the United States Senators, the Congressmen, all the Justices of the Supreme Court, of the Court of Appeals, the Attorney General, all the State officers, and many other men of influence.

Ireland's Great Bog Slide.

Dublin, Dec. 31.—At Castle Island, County Kerry, there is a giant bog slide, a mile and a half wide, that is sweeping bodies of cattle and wreck of buildings into the Lakes of Killarney. Hundreds of people are made homeless. The loss of life is unknown.

The Express Messenger War.

Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 31.—The attempt of the Central Railroad of New Jersey to exclude the parcel express messenger from the train has roused the commuters to war. On Monday they formed football fashion and put the messenger on the train in Jersey City despite the railroad men. Tuesday a similar plan was frustrated by the Jersey City police, who arrested J. B. Bissell, a New York city business man, who resides here.

Would-be Robbers Frustrated.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 28.—Three highwaymen tried to hold up Stephen Brown, of Paterson, near the Guttenberg race track yesterday morning. Brown struck one of the men a blow with a whip, and the horse, frightened by the disturbance, sprang forward and dragged one under the heavy wagon wheels, leaving the rest behind.

Here With the Treaty.

New York, Dec. 27.—Senor Jose Andrade, Venezuelan Minister to the United States, and James J. Storrow, of Boston, counsel for the Venezuelan Government before the Boundary Commission, have just returned from Caracas. It is understood that they have President Crespo's ratification of the treaty.

Lost Wager and Life.

Red Bank, N. J., Dec. 29.—Gottlieb Hirner, a baker, employed by Joseph Child, of this place, was drowned here on Christmas Day in an attempt to win a wager that he would cross the river on the ice. The wager, it is said, was a bottle of wine, and was made with a fellow German.

Hawaii Hopeful of Annexation.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A Honolulu dispatch via San Francisco says that the Hawaiian Government is much encouraged over the prospect of annexation, Minnisters Hatch and Cooper having made hopeful reports.

Russia Watching the Japs.

London, Dec. 29.—A dispatch to the Graphic from Paris says: "It is stated that a Russian fleet of twelve vessels has been stationed at Vladivostock to watch Japan, which is suspected of meditating another blow at China.

Can't Compel Men to Vote.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The Missouri Supreme Court has pronounced unconstitutional the provision of the city charter of Kansas City, imposing a fine of $2.50 for failure to vote.

Beautiful Church Burned.

Wilkesbarre, Dec. 28.—St. Stephen's Church, the most fashionable Episcopal church in town, situated in South Franklin street, was destroyed by fire early Christmas morning.

A Banker's Suicide.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Otto Wasmansdorf, senior member of the banking firm of Wasmansdorf & Heineman, which failed on Monday last, committed suicide to day.

Hanged Weyler in Effigy.

Newton, N. J., Dec. 28.—General Weyler was hanged in effigy by members of the National Guard at Cape May on Christmas Day, and also by the Sons of Veterans at New Brunswick.

Poor People Homeless.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 27.—Fire yesterday destroyed ten tenement houses in the district known as Natter's alley. About 100 people, all colored, were made homeless.

Platt and Choate.

Albany, N. Y., Dec., 30.—The Journal's poll of members of the Legislature as far as responses have been received, show 44 for Platt, 1 for Choate, and 9 non committal.

Thinks Widener Isn't a Candidate.

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—Senator Quay says he thinks Mr. P. A. B. Widener will not be a candidate for United States Senator.

O'Donnell Whipped.

New York, Dec. 29.—On Christmas Day Peter Maher and Steve O'Donnell fought at Coney Island. Maher knocked O'Donnell out in forty seconds.

Gladstone is Eighty-seven.

London, Dec. 31.—On Tuesday Gladstone celebrated the eighty seventh anniversary of his birth.

Rejected Suitor: "Alas! what worse fate than to be fired with love?"

Ejected Suitor (sadly): "Fired without love!"

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THE BISHOP'S GUEST.

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

The snow had settled on the western country like a white cloud, and the keen north wind had frozen it over crisply. The air had the touch of winter, and the breath of Jack Frost was everywhere. The Diamond Central, the fast express on the Northern Pacific, a trifle late, and speeding rapidly to make up its lost time, was whirling past mile posts and flag stations on its way westward. It carried, besides its mail, express and baggage cars, a smoker, a day coach and a couple of sleepers. When they stopped at Bismarck, a man got out and went into the telegraph office. He wrote his telegram slowly and without a qualm. He had telegraphed to Miles City just before leaving St. Paul. This second message he sent to make doubly sure:

"Mary is ill. I am going to see her. Send mail to office. How is Willie?
J. W. BROWN."

He addressed it to William Martin, Medora, N. D. It read easily to the men who received it:

"I go to Denver. Money O. K. Train No. 2. Three in express car. Bill Thompson on engine."

Then he went back over the slippery platform and climbed in on the end of the sleeper. He was well above the average height, and broad and square through the shoulders. His jaw was clean cut and strong, his chin clipped at the corners, where a long, jagged scar ran from it down across his throat. His eyes were indolent and curiously luminous, his brows heavy and brown. He stood smoking idly, his mind full of the outcome of his many days of skilled investigation. He had shadowed the money step by step, from the bank to the express wagon, from the station agent to the train agent. And then he had sent word to Miles City, so that the men could get down to Medora; from there they could reach the chosen point on horseback. The day had seemed endless to him. He knew the men were waiting impatiently as he, and he felt sure they had cursed him for his tardiness. He shrugged his shoulders wearily, looked ahead of him, and he saw a high, curiously shaped car, which they were backing to meet. After it was coupled and they had started, he could see into it, and he caught a glimpse of the bishop's tall figure. As he leaned forward, interested, he saw a Christmas tree.

He was a man of impulses, and he

crossed over and opened the car door. The bishop turned and faced him. The car of the bishop was famous throughout that western country, and as well known to the trainmen as the bishop himself. Through the courtesy of the road it was taken along the line free of charge wherever the bishop wished to hold his services. It was the bishop's own idea, and a novel one.

"I beg your pardon, sir," the man said, "but I was so interested in the Christmas tree, and I thought, perhaps, I might lend a hand."

The bishop smiled at him courteously.

"That's very good of you," he said. "It is quite an undertaking alone."

"What a curious car," his companion said. "Is it a movable church?"

"You have never heard of my car?" the bishop said. "That takes my vanity down a peg or two. So many newspaper men have written of it and so many magazines quoted it, that I had begun to feel myself quite famous. Ah, well, pride goes before a fall."

His companion laughed quietly.

"I am probably the one man who hasn't," he said. "Won't you tell me about it? I feel interested to know about it and you."

"Come back into my little study," said the bishop, as he led the way. "You see when I first came out to this western country I was a young man, and too full of hope to recognize discouragement; otherwise I should have failed. But, God be thanked, I weathered those years; and terrible years they were, before these cities and towns had sprung up like mushrooms and this great railroad laid its path. Travel was well-nigh impossible in those days, and travel I had to, and as best I might. Do you know I had then 100 points to reach within the year, and I walked and rode in the saddle and drove my ponies to them all? So I have grown old with these people. I have eaten and slept and wakened with them. Smoked their cigars and drank their whiskey and eaten their bacon, and, perhaps, I may say they are a bit fond of me. They seem a huge family of unruly children to me, and I try to be a lenient parent. This car was the dream of my heart in those early days, and I never dared hope it would be realized. Then, when the railroad came, it seemed possible; and once on a visit in the east I spoke of it in a sermon, and afterward two men whom I knew came to me and said they would build it, and they made it as complete as they could, bless them. I take it from town to town, and have service in it. And today I am trimming a Christmas tree for the children at Medora, where I am to have services tomorrow. May I ask your name, sir?"

"Brown," said the man slowly. "John Brown. Can't I help you trim the Christmas tree?"

"I shall be indebted to you if you will," said the bishop. "Shall we begin, or will you finish your cigar here first? I have never smoked in the chapel."

"Surely not," said Mr. Brown. "I will throw it away, or we will begin at once. It interests me more than I can tell you, this car. It seems more like practical Christianity, and that is what the world needs."

He and the bishop worked together cheerily. He draped the frosted moss and the strings of popcorn carefully, a hundred thoughts in his head. He could fairly see that eager group of men, drinking, smoking, cursing, waiting, probably playing poker to pass the time. And here such peace—such restful peace.

Brown fastened a tin trumpet firmly. "I fancy your Christmas will be a happy one, for you will be surrounded by those with whom you have worked and lived. And I shall have no one to even give a Christmas present to, unless you will let me give this gold

The bishop thanked him warmly.

"Now I am quite content," he said. "I needed one more gift, and I wanted it a very nice one. It is for a little girl who is very ill and who cannot walk, and she longs for a large dolly, with flaxen curls and eyes that open and shut, and this will give it to her—poor little Florence—"

"Florence," he said, "is that her name? I should like to give you this too, for her. Will you get her something else she wants?"

"I am afraid you are robbing yourself," said the bishop. Brown smiled.

"I am not robbing myself," he said. "I earned that quite honestly by writing a story for one of the papers, and I would like the little girl to have it, because—Florence is the name of that one woman who has tried vainly to make a better man of me."

"My dear sir," said the bishop, "Florence was the name of that one woman who died long years ago." They looked at each other silently, and then Brown said:

"Those tin soldiers weigh that limb down; shall I change them?"

The bishop was charmed with his new-found friend. He proved intelligent and sympathetic, and a famous listener—so he talked to him of his work.

"This will be a happy Christmas for me," he said, "because I have such a splendid Christmas present for my people at Medora. The money to build their church, $2,000, I have raised it all myself, and I am very proud to have it. This summer while I was east I begged it from my richer friends, and they were good enough to be interested. And just last week I got the last of it, and I have it all. I suppose it would have been wiser to have taken them a check for it. But I had a fancy to put the money itself on the altar, and so I had them give it to me at the bank in a few large bills. And I will confess to you that I feel uneasy to have it about me. So when we stop again I think I shall go forward to the express car and ask Maney, the express messenger, to keep it for me until we reach Medora. Maney is a vestryman of mine and a good fellow. It will be safer with him."

A curious new sensation shot through Brown—a sensation that made him dizzy for a second. He had grown so interested in the bishop and his Christmas tree that he had forgotten the rest. "Perhaps you are right," he said," "but if my opinion would carry any weight with you, I would advise you strongly to keep it yourself. You hint at train robbery; it is always the express car that suffers, and nowadays trains are wrecked and robbed frequently."

"My dear fellow," said the bishop, "you alarm me. Of course, if you really think so, I will keep it here. It would break my heart to lose that money; it was so hard to get."

"You aren't going to lose it," Brown said; "of course not. The people are going to have their church and the children their tree, and the little maid—Florence—her dolly. But keep the money here with you. This is a wild country, a rough country, and who knows?"

"Perhaps I had better hide it," said the bishop. "In my shoe, eh?"

Brown smiled indulgently. "Surely," he said, "that's quite an idea; your shoe by all means."

The bishop unlaced his shoe and laid the flat package against his foot.

"I wonder," Brown said, "whether you will ever know how glad I am that I met you, bishop? You will, at all events, never know how much I have learned to like you."

"My dear boy," said the bishop, "how nice of you. It's so pleasant to be liked, and I am often lonely enough. As for you—if I were as young as you are, I would not be alone at Christmas time."

"I think you would if you were me," Brown said, slowly.

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The train had stopped for water and the conversation of the Bishop and his guest ran along in a desultory way for some moments.

"The train is stopping for a long time," said the bishop. Brown nodded; his throat was parched and dry.

"I wonder why," said the bishop, and just then the conductor of the rear sleeper came in.

"It's a hold-up," he said. "They have gotten the engine and express away. We must make an effort to follow them."

The bishop's face was full of anxiety.

"How terrible," he said, "and to happen right here in my working line. Let us go at once to the aid of those poor fellows; they may be killing them."

"They've no time for that," the conductor said. "We were carrying a big sum of money—they evidently knew that—and that is what they want."

"We ought to hurry," Brown said. "Wait just a moment until I can get my revolver—it's in my valise." He delayed them a moment or two easily. Leaderless and excited, no one knew just what to do, and when the little body of men got started he knew the others were safe. But as they saw the missing train, the engine moved slowly backward to meet them. They were soon talking wildly, shaking their heads over the shattered remains of the once sturdy express car, and lending a helping hand to the dazed express messenger. Maney was able to sit up, but he was speechless, and of the robbers there were only the marks of their horses' hoofs heading for the river. The train moved on toward Medora, and Brown went back to the bishop's car with him. The bishop was much overcome.

"My dear boy," he said, "what a dreadful thing, and how nearly I lost my little all. How can I ever be grateful enough that you made me keep the money?"

"That is one of the few good impulses I ever had," Brown said.

"It is the beginning," said the bishop, "will you not say so?"

"I will remember," Brown said.

At Medora they parted. The bishop's car was laid off.

"Do not forget me," the bishop said, "and thank you for the Christmas tree and everything."

"Good-by," Brown said; "buy a very large doll for that little maid." And he watched the bishop's car eagerly until it was out of sight.

And some days later, in one of their numerous retreats, he met with the others to divide the spoil. Their plan was to go over to England or Australia, where the notes would not be recognized, and could be easily exchanged. They were loud in their praises of his shadowing, proud of their own success. They divided the money up fairly and put each portion in a flat canvas bag.

Brown looked at his slowly and then he counted out some notes and threw them on the table. They stared at him.

"That's yours," he said; "divide it up among you."

Rawley looked at it.

"Two thousand dollars," he said, "for what?" We divided up square."

Brown nodded.

"It's yours, I said," he continued, "because there was $2,000 you might have had but for a bit of foolishness on my part. It makes little difference just how you missed it, but you did. Of course, you would never have known it, but you remember the old saying, 'honor among——' And now there is one more thing. I am booked to help you in your Virginia raid. I want to be let off. And as a fair exchange, I offer this."

He threw the bag with his share of the booty on the table.

"Let that buy me off. I haven't gone crazy, as you may think, but I've had all I want of this, and I am thinking of turning honest for a change. There isn't any need of my making promises to secrecy. You all know me well enough, and you've been good pals to me, and I sha'n't forget it. Go your way, and let me go mine. Perhaps some day I may come back again."

After he had gotten away from them he thrust his hands into his pockets joyfully.

"Free," he said, softly. "And now—Florence! That good old man said women always forgave. I will go back and learn to repent and to care, and I will stop drifting, and perhaps after a while she will forget those past days and venture with me into the future. To think of it (his face lighted up radiantly) those days that I have before me, all my own."

As he stood there thinking, behind him was the darkness, and ahead of him the glare of the city; the future, its possibilities, its chances, its peace. And between them a shadowy path. But as he looked uncertainly, the moon came out from under a cloud and shone brilliantly, throwing a flood of silver light everywhere. As the shadows faded, the road to the city lay clear and unswerving, and he turned and walked ahead into the light.

Above a Storm Cloud.

An American aeronant thus describes, in Popular Science News, a storm as seen from a balloon:

"The storm viewed from above the clouds has the appearance of ebullition. The upper surface of the cloud is bulged upward and outward, and has the resemblance of a vast sea of boiling, upheaving snow. Immediately above the storm cloud the air is not so cold as it is in the clearer atmosphere above or in the cloud itself. The falling of the rain can be distinctly heard making a noise like a waterfall over a precipice. The thunder heard above a storm cloud is not loud, and the flashes of lightning appear like streaks of intensely white light on the surface of the gray-colored vapor."

Mahanoy City Undermined.

Great excitement prevails at Mahanoy City, owing to the settling of the earth in the vicinity of Third and Centre streets, one of the most valuable and prominent sections of the city, due to the fact that the mine workings have honeycombed the earth. Reading Railroad officials held a meeting and made extensive preparations to prevent a catastrophe, and decided that the only preventative would be to slush all the underground workings of Elmwood colliery, which are located under that section of the city. An immense scraper line will be constructed from the dirt banks near Mahanoy colliery. From this point the culm in large quantities will be conveyed to the underground workings by means of chutes.

It will be a costly undertaking to the Philadelphia & Reading company, but will be the means of probably saving the comgany many thousand dollars damages and prevent the destruction of a large portion of Mahanoy City. Work will be immediately commenced.—*Phila. Record.*

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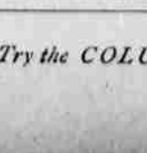

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From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28th, 1896.

There is no more probability that the independence of Cuba will be recognized by the United States during President Cleveland's administration than there is of Grover Cleveland becoming president of the Cuban republic, and, unless McKinley is misrepresented by Republicans who are supposed to enjoy his confidence, the present policy will be continued by him until there is some decided change in Cuba. The resolution for the independence of Cuba which has been reported to the Senate will, of course, be made the basis of a lot of speeches when Congress reassembles, but more of them will be devoted to the claim of the admisistration, that the President alone has the power to recognize the independence of a nation, than to Cuba or anything connected with the unfortunate island. Whether a vote on the resolution itself will be had before the expiration of this Congress is a matter of doubt, but not of much importance, as it has already been given out by the Republican leaders of the House that the resolution will not be allowed to come before that body at all. The constitutional question involved in the claim of the administration is an important one, and one upon which men who are regarded as able lawyers differ regardless of politics, and the debate upon it will be in no sense partisan. There is practically no precedent, though several have been cited as having a bearing upon the claim. And after all, nothing short of a decision of the United States Supreme Court will be accepted as settling it.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, has never set up for a wit, but if he gets off a few more flashes like his answer to Senator Vest's inquiry as to the meaning of that clause of the President's message dealing with the Pacific Railroads, the title will be forced upon him. Mr. Morgan was urging action to protect the people of the Pacific coast from those railroads, or rather from the men who control them, when Mr. Vest made his request. Turning like a flash, the Alabama Senator said with a depreciatory gesture: "Now in all Egypt there was only one man, and he was divinely inspired, who could interpret the dreams of Pharaoh. The Senator ought not to ask me to interpret the President's message. If any man is capable of interpreting the message it is the Senator from Missouri."

Among the members of the House who did not go home to spend their Christmas are a number of Republicans who were re-elected to the next House, and who prefer to stand their office-seeking constitutients off with letters which do not commit them, instead of meeting them face to face and being compelled to commit themselves. The little postmasterships are especially troublesome to the Representatives-elect on account of the numerous applicants for them. For instance, one Representative from New Jersey has received among other applications for a single postoffice in his district, one from each of three men who were delegates to the convention that nominated him and who took active parts in his campaign.

The Government isn't expecting war with Spain, but if war comes it is going to be as well prepared as possible for it. A secret meeting of high naval officers was held in Washington a few days ago for the purpose of preparing a complete program, offensive and defensive, that might be carried on by our present navy if there should be war at short notice, and such a program was prepared and is now in the hands of Secretary Herbert.

It is as true to-day as it was when written by Macaulay that "Where'er ye shed the honey, the buzzing flies will crowd." There is going to be honey shed by the Republican tariff bill, and the flies, in the shape of those who are anticipating benefits through protection are already crowding Washington hotels, preparatory to telling the Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee, at the hearings which are to begin next week, just how much interest they want on their campaign contributions.

Representative Barham, of California, thinks the Pacific Railroad funding bill, which is to be considered by the House for the four days beginning January 7th, can be defeated. He said: "If we can get enough time to show the whole thing up, I am satisfied that many votes will be changed. The passage of the present bill is a present of $100,000,000 to C. P. Huntingdon and his associates. If it becomes known that the United States is going to treat these debtors like it does all others there will be plenty of buyers at the full value of the property."

The Baldwin Locomotive Works at Philadelphia have received orders for 13 locomotives for Japan. The company also expects to build eight engines for China. These works are very busy, having besides the above orders 32 locomotives for various roads in this country.

BASE BALL CHAT.

It has been about settled that the Pittsburg team will do its spring training at Mobile.

Pitcher Yerrick, formerly from Berwick, who was with the Boston team for a time last season, has been signed by Rochester.

The Scranton Club has signed a Texas League pitcher named William Willner.

Charley Nichols, of the Boston's, has entered the ranks of cigar drummers.

The Lancaster club needs a good, hard-hitting third baseman. Applicants should address Mr. H. H. Hensel at once.

The Louisville club is reported to be trying to secure second baseman Connors from Chicago.

Pitcher Jerry Nops has turned in his signed contract to the Baltimore club.

Frank Dwyer is a member of an indoor base ball team in the local league at Geneva, N. Y.

The Springfield club has about 100 stockholders and all of them are deadheads at the games.

The Pittsburg club has re-opened negotations for outfielder McCreary, of the Louisvilles.

Boston is still on a hunt for a catcher and an outfielder.

Tony Mullane has been pitching fourteen years, and yet his arm is as good as ever it was.

According to Pittsburg advices the excollegian, first baseman Goeckle, may get a chance to don a Pittsburg uniform. The Philadelphia Club tried to secure Goeckle last season, but the collegian declared he did not want to become a professional. However, last season he played first base for Wilkesbarre, leading the Eastern League in that position.

Pitcher Charlie Jordan requests us to deny the statement going the rounds to the effect that the Philadelphia Club had transferred him to the Athletics. He says the Philadelphia Club has released him outright, and that he is open for engagement. He can be addressed at 69 South Pine street, Hazleton, Pa.

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They called it eccentricity when Millionaire John E. Dubois had a man stand at the doors of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, in Du-Bois, on Sunday, and hand every one who entered the building an envelope in which he had placed 20cts. It was his idea of making a subscription to the church, for the envelopes were all dropped into the collection baskets. Possibly it was eccentricity but it was of the kind that will always gladden the ministerial heart and help church work. You need not be ashamed of being called such an eccentric.

The man who is anxious, and able to work, though he may not be able to secure it, is not a tramp. In every community there are a few men who are not working simply because it is an absolute impossibility for them to secure any, yet they are none the less esteemed for their predicament. It is the class of lazy loafers who would rather stumble over a stick in their path than go to the trouble of removing it, that should be forced to know ST. PAUL'S injunction: "If any will not work, neither shall he eat."

While Uncle SAM has very little to be afraid of in the event of war with Spain there are some things that are causing him to scratch his head and wonder how he is going to protect our woefully defenceless extensive coast line with nine boats that are calculated for heavy fighting. We have plenty scattered over the world to blow Spain clear out of water, but should we become involved before they could be called home it would take pretty large shooting for the nine boats now ready to ward off Spanish attack from Eastport, Me., clear around to the mouth of the Rio Grande.

Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the hair, and medicinal herbs for the scalp, curing grayness, baldness, dandruff, and scalp sores.

Maud—"Charlie what was the first animal that ever came down?"
Charlie—"Rein-deer."

The prospect of a Christmas dinner has its forecast in the breakfast. General Miles was twitted about "ravens" and "manna in the wilderness," and while it was not said, it was thought he was a poor sort of Moses.

The day wore on, and there was a midday meal of bacon and beans. Baldwin again took copious draughts of parched-corn coffee.

Supper call was sounded. At headquarters they sat down to the usual repast—beans and bacon. Just as Captain Baldwin was about to quaff a second quart of parched-corn coffee—an apparition appeared in the tent door, substantial, savory. It was a turkey, plucked of its feathers, paraded on a tin platter, done to a turn, smoking hot and redolently odorous. It was held aloft by an Eighth cavalry trooper. The astonishing spectacle was immediately duplicated—another trooper bearing a similar tray ladened with a smoking saddle of venison. Another trooper—a dish of vegetables. Another trooper—a camp kettle full of fragrant coffee, strong enough to float an iron wedge.

The Christmas dinner to which General Miles had invited his staff, 24 hours before, had materialized.

It was the gift, Christmas present of the Eighth cavalry. They had been reveling as hunters over in the Palo Duro. Soon learning, after going into camp, of the starvation rations at headquarters, they sent of their larder, a feast. But while this "manna in the wilderness" was being consumed, a hospital attache of the Eighth cavalry appeared.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the officers at headquarters were the guests of the Eighth cavalry officers at Dr. Collins' tent, except General Miles, who had business to detain him in his quarters. Without any reflection on the general, it can be said his absence was not regarded as an unmitigated affront. Had he attended, his presence as commanding officer might have marred the interpretation put upon Dr. Collins' "how." An army officer can no more take a drink without ejaculating "how" than he can draw his pay without signing a pay account.

"How" was ladled out of a great iron pot, half the size of a country wife's soap kettle, with quart cups. And it was a punch with the most peculiar taste and startling effects that ever a well-seasoned man tackled. Everybody tackled it, however, unremittingly. The queries were many: What is it? And as stoup after stoup was fearlessly taken, the doctor being at hand, the recipe, or make-up of this "Christmas prairie punch" was disclosed. An iron pot had been used, for nothing less strong could possibly hold the mixture. The body of the fluid was tea, boiled to the consistency of lye—and in alkali water, too—and into this had been dumped a couple of pounds of crisp, burnt brown sugar, for the sake of a color. Next a quart can of portable lemon sugar had been added to give it flavor, and then two gallons of alcohol—taken from the veterinary surgeon's chest—had been poured in. When the mixture was steaming, or on the point of explosion, a two-pound lump of butter, or "axle-grease," as the rancid fat was called in the army, was dropped in.

Concluded to Help Providence.

A little girl told a friend who was visiting her father that her brothers set traps to catch the birds. He asked her what she did. She replied: "I prayed that the traps might not catch the birds." "Anything else?" "Yes," she said, "I then prayed that God would prevent the birds getting into the trap," and, as if to illustrate the doctrine of faith and works, "I went and kicked the traps all to pieces."

On the night before Christmas will likely appear
A miniature sleigh with electrical gear,
And the man at the motor, so lively and quick,
You'll know in a moment for jolly St. Nick.
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall,
You'd think that air riding was nothing at all!
And up on the housetops the arc lamp's bright hue
Is shed on the toys and St. Nicholas, too!
"The dynamo works," he cries with great glee,
"For the first time in ages the chimney I see!"
And, placing his hands in the shape of a cube,
He shoots down the gifts—through a pneumatic tube!
It takes scarce a minute, they are filled with a jerk,
Those stockings which formerly gave so much work.
The saint grabs the moter and whisks out of sight,
With "Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

GIRLS IN STORES,

offices, or factories, are peculiarly liable to female diseases, especially those who are constantly on their feet. Often they are unable to perform their duties, their suffering is so intense.

When the first symptoms present themselves, such as backache, pains in groins, headache, dizziness, faintness, swelled feet, blues, etc., they should at once write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., stating symptoms; she will tell them exactly what to do, and in the meantime they will find prompt relief in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which can be obtained from any druggist.

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THE FATE OF TRIPLETS IN CHINA.

In the southern provinces of China there is a superstition that if triplets are born one of the three children will eventually become a noted rebel. In order to avoid that direst of Chinese curses, a bad son, a "wise man" is sent for in order to decide which of the three children is the destined black sheep. The three infants having been conveyed into a perfectly dark room, the "wise man" takes three pieces of twine, each of a different color, as white, red, and black, and entering the room ties one of these pieces of string round a wrist of each baby. The one which, when brought out into the light, is found to have the red string on its wrist, is drowned like a puppy.—*From "Chinese Superstitions," in Demorest's Magazine for January.*

The controller of Luzerne county has been in office only four months, but in that short time it is stated that he has saved the county nearly $30,000,

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The past season holds the record for the largest corn crop ever raised in America. Even nature seems to have conspired against the temperance forces.

Pugilist Sharkey was awarded $8,500 in the recent contested case, in which Fitzsimmons' blow in the eighth round was declared a foul.

The Kansas Legislature is being urged to pass a law to prohibit the admission of homeless children into that state.

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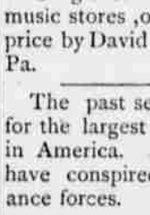

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BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

STATIONS.	EAST. A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 28	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 13
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 18	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	...	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 32
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	.....	7 4
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 22
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07
	A. M	P. M.	P. M.	P. M

STATIONS.	WEST. A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 0
Bellevue	6 05	....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 2
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	....	..	....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 51	....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 0
Avondale	7 09		2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 04	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 35	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 55
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 0
Briarcreek	8 06	....	3 55	....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 3
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 3
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 4
Danville	8 55	12 37	4 3	8 5
Chulasky	....	....	4 49	....
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 54	9 1
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 08	9 2
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M

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ARRIVE.				STATIONS.	LEAVE			
a m	a. m.	p m	p.m.		a m	p m	p m	a m
7.10	11.40	6.30	2.40	Bloomsbu'g.	8.30	2 40	6 40	6.10
7.04	11.35	6.26	2.3	" P. & P.	8.33	2.42	6.44	6.13
7.03	11.32	6.24	2.35	" Main st..	8.36	2.45	6.47	
		6.20	2.32	..Irondale...		2.47	6.50	6.25
6.53	11.23	6.12	2 20	Paper Mill.	8 44	2.54	6.58	6.37
6.50	11.20	6.09	2.15	..Light St..	8.47	3.00	7.02	6.50
6.40	11.10	5.59	2.00	Orangeville.	8.56	3.10	7.10	7.10
6.29	11.01	5.48	1.35	...Forks....	9.06	3.20	7.20	7.35
6.25	10.58	5.44	1.30	...Zaner's...	9.09	3.25	7.24	7.45
6.18	10.53	5.37	1.25	Stillwater..	9.13	3.30	7.29	8.00
6.08	10.43	5.27	1.10	...Benton....	9.21	3.40	7.39	8.40
6.04	10 40	5.22	12.35	...Edson's...	9.26	3.45	7.44	8.50
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1896.

NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

What is Talked of This Week in the Nation's Capital.

It is generally believed that either Sherman or Allison will be Secretary of State.

The Ways and Means Committee began its hearings on the tariff on Monday last.

Senator Chandler vehemently denounces the theory that the President has sole power to recognize foreign countries.

WANAMAKER OR PENROSE?

Claims of the Candidates' Friends Differ Widely.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 30.—In an interview Thomas Dolan asserted that the Business Men's League had pledges of enough votes of members of the State Legislature to make the election of John Wanamaker to the United States Senate absolutely certain.

Senator Quay declares that Boies Penrose has 140 votes—or more than enough to elect him.

To Supervise Mining.

Harrisburg, Dec. 30.—A general act will be introduced in the next Legislature, which will apply to the anthracite and bituminous coal regions of Pennsylvania, and is intended to correct the defects in the State mining laws. The measure will establish a bureau of mines in the Internal Affairs Department, with a chief, whose qualifications will be similar to those required of mining engineers and mine inspectors. The creation of this bureau, with a properly qualified chief, is thought to be necessary for the reason that no supervision by the State is by law authorized over mine inspectors of either the anthracite or bituminous mines in this State.

Miss Bonaparte's Wedding.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The wedding of Count Adam de Moltke-Huitfeldt, of Denmark, and Miss Louise Eugenie Bonaparte, daughter of the widow of the late Colonel Jerome Bonaparte, took place on Tuesday, Cardinal Gibbons officiating. The bride is a great-great-grandniece of Napoleon Bonaparte. Among her presents was a diamond crescent from ex-Empress Eugenie.

A Quiet and Orderly Lynching.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 27.—Alfred Holt, colored, alias Alexander, the murderer of Policeman C. W. White, was taken from jail by a mob at 2.30 o'clock yesterday morning and hanged to a tree in the Court House yard. The lynching was the most quiet and orderly ever conducted in the State, and few persons save those having business on the public square at the time knew anything of it.

India's Starving People.

Calcutta, Dec. 29.—Ex-Judge Goodridge has written a letter to the Englishman, a newspaper of this city, stating that every day thousands of persons are dying of starvation in the central provinces of India. He declares that the Government arrangements to cope with the situation are entirely inadequate, and that the famine is now beyond control.

Protested Against Girl Waiters.

London, Dec. 29.—The presence of female waiters in the terrace of the House of Commons has been made a renewed matter of protest by a number of older members. The "Kitchen Committee" has been strongly urged to go back to the old system of male waiters. The committee is divided, however, as the younger members desire to retain the waitresses.

Too Cold for the Murderer.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 30.—Jerry Green, a resident of Welsh Mountain, in Lancaster County, shot and killed his half brother, Abram Green, on Christmas night. He fled, but the intense cold drove him from hiding and he is now in the Lancaster jail.

A Mistaken Signal.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 28.—A passenger train on the New Jersey Central Railroad at East Allentown crashed into a trolley car and killed the motorman, Lawrence J. Wehr, Saturday. The accident was caused by a mistaken signal.

Shot His Neighbors.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 28.—Farmer James Thomas, of Potter County, mistook for corn thieves two neighbors who came to ask him to join a coon hunt, and shot them both. Neither man is in danger.

Several Banks Suspend.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—On Tuesday the Columbia National Bank and the Washington Bank, a State institution of Minneapolis, failed. A banking firm of Batavia has suspended with liabilities of $2,000,000.

Philadelphia's New Year Parade.

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—Thirty-seven clubs have already taken out permits to parade on New Year's Day.

A BURGLAR CONFESSES.

And Implicates Two Others in Notable Crimes.

Poughkeepsie, Dec. 31.—One of the three men who entered the residence of ex-Sheriff Lamoree, at Salt Point, at midnight about two weeks ago, bound and gagged Mr. Lamoree and his wife, and carried off all the money and valuables they could find, has been captured here. The man gives his name as Andrew McCabe.

At the police station he made a full confession, implicating "Rubbles" Shanahan and Harry Mason, the latter being the leader of the trio. He also said that it was he and his pals who bound and robbed the Fulton family at Pine Plains a week ago. Shanahan and Mason are still at large.

A Christmas Day Fire.

New York, Dec. 27.—In a single hour Friday morning fire swept across the middle of the block on the north side of Thirty-third street, between Second and Third avenues, destroying a large factory building and gutting a tenement house, a hotel, and the New York Polyclinic Hospital at 214 East Thirty fourth street, all the patients of which, surgical cases mostly, were carried out. The fire leaves a score of families homeless and throws hundreds of men out of employment temporarily. As nearly as can be estimated the damage is about $400,000. There was one accident, a policeman, who fell down stairs while trying to get a man out of one of the buildings, broke his hip.

Country Home Burned.

West Chester, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Yesterday morning Duncan Elliott's handsome country home, with its rich furnishings, was destroyed by fire. Mrs. Elliott escaped in her night robe. A guest, Julian Potter, a nephew of Bishop Potter, made his escape by jumping from a window fifteen feet above the ground. Included in the loss are the life savings of a servant.

Weston's Great Walk.

New York, Dec. 27.—At ten o'clock last night Edward Payson Weston, the famous pedestrian, who is now in his 58th year, completed his attempt to duplicate his performance of twenty five years ago, when he made 112 miles in twenty-four hours. He failed by nine miles, owing to an attack of vertigo, but his performance is a great one.

New York's Canals.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Superintendent Aldridge's annual report on the canals shows the tonnage for 1896 to have been 3,714,894. Business, he says, has been comparatively prosperous with boatmen. An appropriation of $360,000 for extraordinary repairs is recommended, and $770,000 for ordinary repairs.

Raid on Society Men.

New York, Dec. 31.—The raid on a dinner party of society men at Sherry's, the swell restaurant, is much discussed. Captain Chapman said he heard there was to be improper dancing, but Sherry and the host deny that anything of this kind was contemplated, and stigmatize the act of the police as an outrage.

General Weyler's Object.

Havana, Dec. 29.—General Weyler has for the first time allowed an American newspaper correspondent to accompany the Spanish troops to the field. His object, it is presumed, is to show that the troops commit no outrages, destroy no property and make only human warfare.

Ten Millions for Education.

London, Dec. 28.—The Morning Post said on Friday that Alfred Nobel, the Swedish engineer and chemist, who died at San Remo, Italy, on December 9, left a will bequeathing his entire fortune, amounting in value to about $10,000,000, to the Stockholm University.

Nebraska is Hard Up.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 28.—In their biennial report just made to the Governor the State Treasurer and the State Auditor show that the State of Nebraska has a floating debt of $1,995,440.60, which is in the form of warrants drawn on the Treasurer and unpaid for want of funds.

Society Woman Robbed.

New York, Dec. 31.—A daring highwayman held up Mrs. James Abercrombie Burden in Fifth avenue, in broad daylight, on Tuesday, placed a knife against her breast, snatched her pocketbook, knocked her down and fled. He was captured.

Purroy and Tammany.

New York, Dec. 31.—John D. Purroy, for many years a Tammany leader, has decided to bolt because he does not like the methods of John C. Sheehan, the head of the organization. He will organize a rival society.

Life Imprisonment for Sanguilly.

Havana, Dec. 30.—Julio Sanguilly, the American citizen who was arrested in 1895, charged with conspiring against the Government, was sentenced to-day to life imprisonment His lawyer has taken an appeal.

Poland's Governor Retires.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—The request of General Count Von Schouvaloff, Governor General of Russian Poland, that he be permitted to retire on account of ill health, has been granted by the Czar.

Colonel Ashley W. Cole's Plum.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Governor Morton has appointed his private secretary, Colonel Ashley W. Cole, State Railroad Commissioner, to succeed Samuel A. Beardsley, of Utica, resigned.

No Endorsement for Choate.

New York, Dec. 31.—After a hot debate the Republican Club decided on Monday night not to endorse Mr. Choate for the Senatorship.

FIRE AT FORT PICKENS.

Attempt to Destroy the Fortifications at Pensacola.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 31.—A careful investigation is being made by the military authorities of the mysterious fire which so nearly destroyed Fort Pickens late Wednesday night. That the fire was deliberately started to ruin the fortification seems to be beyond doubt, but who started it and how it was done have not yet been discovered. All the officers are reticent as to the results of their inquiries, but all the facts point to the fire having been planned by somebody familiar with Fort Pickens and its inadequate facilities for fighting fire.

Fort Pickens is one of the three fortifications that guard the entrance of the harbor of Pensacola. It was never surrendered to the Confederates during the civil war; Lieutenant Hammet, who was in command, was once on the point of surrendering, but, urged by his wife and aided by her, refused to do so. From the close of the war until this year it was neither guarded or fortified, being in charge of an ordnance sergeant. It lies eight miles from Pensacola on a narrow sand bar at the extreme end of Santa Rosa Island. It commands the entrance of the harbor and all approaches to the southward.

GENERAL WEYLER'S PLAN.

The Insurgents, He Says, Must Surrender or Starve.

Havana, Dec. 31.—General Weyler is again in the field and confident of conquering Pinar del Rio. In an interview he says:

"I have twenty-six battalions, ranging from 800 to 1,000 men each, occupying all the hills of the province. These columns have destroyed everything in sight and have been able to subsist on the cattle of the insurgents, which were found grazing in the hills, and with whose destruction died their remaining hope of sustenance. They must either starve or submit, and some may prefer to do the former, owing to their remarkable apathy. To show their desperate condition I can tell you that I know positively that Maceo himself went three days without food before he was killed."

"You still believe he is dead?"

"Beyond a doubt, certainly. We even know where his body is, but we do not like to disinter it, as it would savor too much of profanation of the grave."

PRESIDENT FOR FORECLOSURE.

The Pacific Railroad Debts Must be Immediately Settled.

Washington, Dec. 29.—It was reported on Friday that President Cleveland has decided to direct the immediate foreclosure of the Government's mortgage on the Union and Central Pacific railroads.

The foundation for this report was the statement in Mr. Cleveland's recent message to Congress that the Government would be forced to take some immediate action regarding the indebtedness of these bonds.

It can be stated on absolute authority that, unless Congress takes speedy action regarding Pacific Railroad legislation, the President will order a foreclosure of the Government mortgage.

FOR GENERAL ARBITRATION.

A Treaty Between This Country and England Agreed Upon.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote have finally agreed upon a draft of a treaty providing for a system of arbitration of disputes between the United States and Great Britain. The negotiations were concluded during the absence of the President on his recent gunning trip, and although the latter has not yet given his approval of the agreement, there is little doubt that he will do so during the holidays, and the proposed treaty will be submitted to the Senate immediately after Congress reconvenes. The proposed treaty is said to be drawn mainly upon the lines proposed by Lord Salisbury in April last, and it is therefore assumed that there will be no delay in securing the approval of the British Premier.

More Chinese Frauds.

Seattle, Wash. Dec. 29—The United States Customs authorities have unearthed another gigantic Chinese certificate fraud by which hundreds of Chinese undoubtedly have gained admission to this country. A gang of clever white and Chinese forgers are in the plot, which consists in purchasing the certificates of Chinese who are about to return to China permanently, then by the aid of chemicals, erasing the description of the persons to whom they were issued and filling in those of Chinese to whom the certificates are sold. A duplicate Collector's stamp imprints the phhtograph of the new owner, and as he adopts the original holder's name it is most difficult to detect the fraud. Three Chinese arrested yesterdy had certificates altered in the manner described.

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Friendly Nations.

England and Germany have been on friendly terms longer than any other two nations in the world. There may have been differences of opinion, and somewhat strained relationships, which diplomatic intercourse, however, has smoothed over. But, throughout the long and warklike history of these two great nations, there has never been any open warfare. Alliances, offensive and defensive, have frequently been formed between Germany and England and the fact that Richard I., of England was imprisoned by Henry VI.—when Germany comprised much of the present Austrian area—was no national quarrel, but an untimely personal one. The war of the Austrian Succession also strained relationships between England and one of the German Emperors. Charles VII. entered into alliance with France, Spain, Prussia, etc., against the claims of Maria Theresa who was supported by England and other Powers. But even here England was siding with one section of the German empire. The progress of Napoleon through Europe was checked by England in conjunction with Germany (i. e., Prussia and other German states). Much that can be said of Germany and England can also be said of Austria, if we treat it as a separate empire.

A Lion's Tongue.

The tongues of some animals are very dangerous weapons. A lion could readily kill a man by merely licking him with its tongue.

The tongues of all the members of the cat family are covered with curious recurving spines formed of tough cartilage. They are so small that there are hundreds of them to the square inch. In the common domestic cat these spines are very small, but are sufficiently well developed to give the tongue a feeling of roughness. Most people have noticed this curious grater-like appearance of the tongues of their household pets without understanding its significance. In the fiercest animals, such as the lion or tiger, these spines are very well developed. They are frequently found projecting up for an eighth of an inch or more, with very sharp points or edges.

While the mouth is relaxed the tongue is soft and smooth, but when the animal is excited to the fighting pitch the spines become rigid. The tongue at such times resembles a fine steel currycomb.

Lippincott's Magazine for January, 1897.

The complete novel in the January issue of *Lippincott's* is "Stockings Full of Money," by Mary Kyle Dallas. It is a tale of domestic relationships and affections, but turns on the mysterious disappearance of two thousand dollars, and the various suspicions as to the thief.

Henry Willard French, in "A Christmas Midnight in Mexico," narrates an adventure of the road which might have ended disastrously. The other short stories are "An Anonymous Love-letter," by Virginia Woodward Cloud, and "Robert the Devil," by Claude M. Girardeau.

The question, "Are American Institutions of Dutch Origin?" is discussed at some length by Sidney G. Fisher, who controverts the late Douglass Campbell's contention that the Town-Meeting came from Holland.

R. G. Robinson, who is an authority on the aspects and prospects of his own region, writes lucidly and instructively on "South Florida before the Freeze." The relations of "The Western Housekeeper and the Celestial" are described from experience by May Hoskin.

Emily Baily Stone, whose specialty seems to be Woman in the Middle Ages, treats lightly, with many citations, of "Marrying in the Fifteenth Century." "Theatre going in St. Petersburg" is handled by Isabel F. Hapgood, who knows pretty much everything about Russia.

Allan Hendricks tells of an outing "With the Whitefish Nets," and Lee J. Vance expounds the mysteries of "Walnut Lore."

The poetry of the number is by Marie M. Meinell, Julien Gordon, Mary E. Stickney and Carrie Blake Morgan.

A large lot of envelopes just received at this office, including, Nos. 1, 2 and 3 drug; pay and coin; all the commercial sizes, and large sizes Nos. 9 and 10. They were bought cheap for cash, and our customers will get the benefit of it. Order now 2t.

Annual Before Stock-taking Sale.

Now is the time when the public get their genuine bargains. We want to reduce our stock just before taking account of it, and you get the benefit. We advertise nothing but the truth, and all we ask is a call to convince you of it. Rare attractions in all departments.

COATS.

In order to reduce our stock in coats, capes, and ladies' wraps, we will sell any garment in our store today at absolute *cost*. When we say cost we mean *cost*. There is a host of good things in store for you in this.

DRESS GOODS.

Dress goods cut in pattern lengths, all out in the centre isle where you can see them. They are elegant goods worth anywhere from 25 per cent. to 40 per cent. more than they are marked. Will you take advantage of this?

UNDERWEAR.

You can't help but see it. Right as you come in the door. A table full of it in misses' children's, boy's, ladies' and men's.

Ladies' and misses', fleece lined at 25c.

Children's, 8c., 12½c., 16c., 18c., and 25c., according to the size.

Men's 60 per cent. wool, made to sell at 75c.—a good buy at that—our price 50c.

WRAPPERS.

Do you know what it means to buy a *good* well made wrapper. One that is made of good material, that will wash and wear well. We sell, they all say, the best of them—the Keystone Wrapper. Try one.

TABLE LINEN.

Any house wife wants nice table linen. We have—well you know our reputation in this line—elegant linens of it in unbleached and bleached.

Unbleached, good quality, 25c.

German linen, 64 in wide, 40c.

Unbleached table linen, made to sell at 88c. and 85c the yd. 68 inch wide, 50c., 60c. and 65c.

DRESS GOODS AGAIN

A window full of them. Goods you never bought or thought of buying at any such a price in a few months again. They are all wool, right in every respect but the price—they always brought 25 per cent. more. Now they are 37½c.

LAMPS.

We had an elegant trade on lamps during the holidays—never was better—but as any one knows we have a few left. We don't want them, put a price on them to go. Here you can save money. Any lamp in the store at a discount of 25 per cent.

PEAS.

Have you ever tried the famous Tandem Pea. The best pea put up in cans—guaranteed so by Austin, Nichols & Co. of New York. Want any better guarantee? Can't be had. Regular price 18c. We have a few while they last at 14c. the can.

Pursel & Harman,

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Williams'

COLLEGE of BUSINESS

Columbian Building, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Will be organized OCTOBER 29th. One school in seven cities having the largest number of students of any business college in America.

.....$100 for $50.....

In order to facilitate organizing the Bloomsburg branch, the first fifty scholarships will be sold for only $50 each. A scholarship will entitle the holder to graduating courses in the Business, Shorthand, Typewriting, and English departments. Time unlimited. The regular rates for these courses in other schools are from $100 to $200.

For full information, write to

G. W. WILLIAMS, Pres. Williams' College.

MARRIED.

KLINE—SANTEE. At the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac S. Belles, Berwick, Pa., Dec. 9, 1896, by Rev. S. A. Creveling, of Town Hill, Mr. George H. Kline of Orangeville, and Miss Lavina Santee of Berwick.

SHERMAN—NAGLE. At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Nagle, on Dec. 24th, 1896, by Rev. E. M. Chilcoat, Mr. George W. Sherman of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to Miss Laura Nagle of Rohrsburg, Pa.

BOGART—WILLIAMS. On Dec. 23, at the Reformed parsonage in Orangeville, by Rev. A. Houtz, Mr. J. F. Bogart of Forks, and Miss Anna M. Williams of Bloomsburg.

SMITH—KLINE. At Orangeville, Dec. 27, 1896, by Rev. N. B. Smith, Mr. David T. Smith of Orange township, and Miss Nellie Kline of Fishingcreek twp., Col. Co., Pa.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of E. J. Cole, late of Jackson twp., decd.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of E. J. Cole, late of Jackson township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

C. W. Miller, Atty. D. J. FOUST, Administrator, Orangeville, Orange twp.
#12-31-6w,

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Sarah C Reeder, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the executor of the estate of Sarah C. Reeder, deceased, will sit at the office of B. Frank Zarr, in the town of Bloomsburg, Pa., on Thursday, the 28th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties having claims against said estate must appear and present the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund. W. A. EVERT, Auditor.
12-31-ta.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphan's Court of Columbia county, Pa., Estate of Stott E. Colley, late of said county, decd.

The undersigned auditor appointed by said Court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of A. A. Colley, administrator of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purposes of his appointment, at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund. A. S. YOST, Auditor.
12-31-ta.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of Caleb Barton, deceased.

To Thomas J. Barton, Elvina, intermarried with H. W. McReynolds, Emma, late intermarried with John Moore, deed; Anna, intermarried with Thomas Webb, all of the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa.; Catharine, intermarried with Alfred Ale of Columbia City, of the state of Indiana.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of Orphans' Court of Columbia county a writ of partition has issued from said court to the sheriff of said county, returnable the first Monday of February, A. D. 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Monday the 25th day of January, A. D. 1897, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., on the premises of Caleb Barton, deceased, in the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper.

Vanderslice, atty. J. E. McHENRY, Sheriff.
12-31-3f.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1896.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Robt. Young spent Christmas at Benton.

Curtis Logan visited Wilkes-Barre friends last week.

W. T. Creasy of Catawissa gave us a call on Monday.

John Donahue, of Scranton spent Christmas in town.

George Norman, of State College, is home on his vacation.

Miss Rose Ohl, spent Christmas with Milton friends.

John Knies visited his parents at Hazleton over Sunday.

F. P. Davis, of Canby was among our callers on Tuesday.

J. C. Rutter Jr., was in Berwick two days this week on business.

Miss Hattie Ringrose visited friends at Danville this week.

Harry Kline, visited friends at Wilkes-Barre over Christmas.

Mrs. Rev. Kue, of Altoona, visited Miss May Sharpless this week.

W. E. Fisher spent Christmas week in Hazleton, visiting friends.

Will Kelley, of Hazleton spent Christmas with his parents in town.

Morris Sloan of Scranton spent Christmas at home on Market Street.

Phil' M. White of Shamokin, visited friends in town on Monday.

Robt. Pursel, of Philadelphia is spending his holiday vacation at home.

Edward Enterline of Wilkes-barre visited his brother George last week.

Peter Ashton of Bellefonte spent a couple days in Bloomsburg last week.

Will C. Drinker of Scranton, visited relatives in town over Christmas.

Charles H. Lawall of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his mother in town.

J. F. DeLong, of Orangeville transacted business in town on Wednesday.

Miss Elizabeth Schuyler is visiting her brother J. R. Schuyler and wife.

Miss Grace Logan, of Shamokin, is visiting her cousins on Seventh Street.

George Lowery, of Scranton transacted business in Bloomsburg on Monday.

Edwin H. Ent and wife visited the latter's parents at Weatherly over Sunday.

Michael Tracy, of Shenandoah, spent Christmas with his mother on East Street.

Frank Colley of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his mother on Iron Street.

F. M. Kelley, of West Virginia spent Christmas with his mother, on Main Street.

Jay Allen, a student at the State College is spending his vacation with his parents in town.

Miss Mattie Caskell, of Philadelphia is visiting relatives and friends on Third Street.

Miss Rey Shultz of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with her aunt Dr. H. A. Robbins.

Hon. A. L. Fritz and son Charlie left on Wednesday for a two days trip to Philadelphia.

Rev. A. S. Bowman of Austin, Pa., was in town on Saturday, calling upon relatives and friends.

Charles A. Pollock and wife of Hazleton, spent Christmas with the formers parents on Fifth street.

Carlton Caswell of Philadelphia is home spending his holiday vacation with his mother.

Arthur Colley, foreman of the tube works at Shickshinny, visited friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Carrye Folmer of Shenandoah, was the guest of Dr. Robbins, on First Street over Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Belle Weil of Plymouth, visited Miss Margaret Shaffer on Third Street last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hooper of Williamsport, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Aurand this week.

Miss M. A Marks, operator at the Western Union Telegraph office is visiting friends at Scranton.

Miss Jennie Barkley, who is attending the Conservatory of Music at Troy, N. Y. is spending her vacation with her parents on Market Street.

E. A. Eyer, of Philadelphia is home spending his vacation with his parents on Market Street.

James Dougherty, a printer employed in a job office at Philadelphia, is home spending the holidays.

W. H. Housel and family spent the holidays with the formers brother Harry at Washington, D. C.

E. N. Perrin and family of New York City, are visiting Mrs. Perrin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Drinker.

Miss Minnie Haas and Miss Mary Furman of Hazleton were the pleasant guests of Miss Mary Furman over Christmas.

Mrs. J. S. Gilbert of Jenkentown is spending the week with friends here. Mr. Gilbert was here over Christmas.

Ben Gidding who has been traveling through the south for a large clothing house, arrived back in town on Monday.

Donald Snyder, and family spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Snyder, at the Exchange Hotel.

Ed. Moyer, a "typo," employed in a large show printing house at White Haven, is visiting his many friends in town.

Rev. D. N. Kirkby was called to the home of his father in Rye, N. Y., on Monday, by the serious illness of his sister.

Matthew McReynolds, of Quakertown, Pa., spent Christmas with his parents Dr. and Mrs. McReynolds on Third Street.

Mrs. John Vannatta and little son Tom, of Lewistown spent Christmas with Mrs. Thomas Vannatta and family on Iron Street.

Judge Ikeler attended the meeting of Judges in Philadelphia on Tuesday, to make uniform rules of Court and a course of study for law students throughout the state.

L. S. Wintersteen Esq., returned from Philadelphia on Wednesday morning, where he attended a meeting of the Judges and examining committees for admission to the bar of the several counties in the state.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

A Happy New Year to all.

A distribution of a very neat calendar for 1897 is now being made by M. P. Lutz & Son, insurance agents.

1896 has drawn to a close. Another leap year does not occur again until 1904.

Commissioner Ikeler has appointed Hiram J. Demott, of Millville mercantile appraiser.

Mrs. Isaac Crawford, aged forty-six years died at her home in Light Street on Sunday morning. She had been sick for a long time.

Monday morning, was the coldest we have experienced this winter, the thermometer in some places in town registered four degrees below zero.

Col. John Jameson expects to build a new railroad in Nova Scotia, seventy-five miles long. It will pass through a rich mineral country.

Pauline, aged six years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pegg, who resides on West Third Street, died on Monday.

The entertainment given by Miss Stapleton's class in elocution in Y. M. C. A. Hall Saturday night was fine, and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Charles Parish a wealthy and well known citizen of Wilkesbarre, died suddenly at the Stenton Hotel at Philadelphia, aged seventy years. Death resulted from apoplexy.

There are numerous applicants for the positions of court crier, janitor, and commissioners' clerk. It is impossible to state who the successful ones will be.

To more fully equip him to fill his position as director of the gymnasium at the Normal School, Prof. A. K. Aldinger, will leave in January to take a short course in medicine.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 28th, 1896: Wm. Beaver, Mr. Mark W. Boynton, Miss Jessie Philips, Dr. Sherman. Will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 12th, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL AT

RISHTON'S DRUG STORE

.....any day from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and inspect his.....
.....immense line of beautiful.....

....CHRISTMAS GIFTS....

WE MENTION A FEW FOR EXAMPLE, BUT "THERE ARE OTHERS":

LEATHER GOODS of all kinds and descriptions.
PERFUMERY—The most beautiful stock in town.
HAND PAINTED NOVELTIES—Entirely new, novel and cheap.
CUT GLASS—A large and beautiful stock.
WHITMAN'S WORLD-FAMED Chocolates and Bon Bons.

W. S. RISHTON,

Opposite P. O. DRUGGIST.

THE HAMPTON ROADS FLEET.

The Most Powerful Navy Ever Seen Under our Flag.

New York, Dec. 31.—It was reported last week that orders had been received at the Brooklyn Navy Yard to finish repairs on all ships in commission within the next ten days. In view of this country's relations with Spain, the situation of the navy is a matter of unusual interest, and in discussing this the Sun makes the following statement:

The squadron of Admiral Bunce will assemble rapidly at Hampton Roads and will include the powerful battle ships, Indiana, Massachusetts, Maine, and Texas, the fast and effective armored cruisers Brooklyn and New York, the monitors Puritan, Terror, and Amphitrite, the cruisers Columbia, Montgomery, and Marblehead, and the ram Katahdin. Possibly the Miantonomoh and the Vesuvius will also be added; but without these or the dispatch boat Fern, and even excluding the Katahdin, which possibly may not take part in the evolutions, there are a dozen fine vessels at command, nine of them ironclads. In Gulf waters, too, there are already the Raleigh and the Newark, and the Amphitrite may relieve the former.

The fleet that gathers at Hampton Roads will be the largest and most powerful array of modern vessels that ever assembled under our flag.

TOWN MAD FOR COCAINE.

Residents of Manchester, Conn., Victims of the Drug.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 31.—The cocaine habit has taken such a hold on the residents of Manchester that steps are being taken to obtain legislative restriction on the sale of the drug. The evil had its inception when a local druggist a year ago made a preparation of cocaine and menthol which could be used as a snuff. It was intended as a specific for asthma, but the prescription was passed around, and now hundreds of persons have become slaves to the stuff.

An experienced physician says that he never heard of a place where the abuse of the drugs had become so general, and that the future prosperity of the town was involved.

HER SIXTH MARRIAGE.

Four of Mrs. Linter's Ex-Husbands to be Ushers at Her Coming Wedding.

Providence, Dec. 29.—The marriage of Mrs. Eleanor B. Linter to her sixth husband will occur to day in the Church of Emanuel, and four of her ex-husbands will act as ushers. The entire marital batch would have been present, but the fifth man met with an accident last week and is confined to his bed. He sent a present and an invitation to visit him.

In every instance the lady has obtained a divorce without opposition and without losing the friendship of her spouse. She convinced them all that they were not well mated, and every one of them accepted the situation.

Christmas Diversions in Kentucky.

Ashland, Dec. 29.—As a distribution of Christmas presents was in progress at Kavanaugh Chapel, Lawrence County, on Thursday night, Bill Morrow entered the church and amused himself by emptying two six shooters at the tapers blazing on the tree. When members of the congregation sought to quiet him he drew a third revolver and began shooting promiscuously, fatally wounding George Pack and injuring Tom Bonders and Miss Allie Morgan. Morrow then escaped.

Women Walkers Arrive.

New York, Dec. 27.—Mrs. H. Estby and her daughter Clara, nineteen years old, arrived in this city Wednesday afternoon, footsore, travel stained and bronzed by exposure, from a transcontinental journey of 4,500 miles, on foot, from Spokane, Wash. They would have won $10,000 had they arrived four days earlier.

Strike Declared Off.

Boston, Dec. 29.—The strike of the conductors and motormen of the West End Street Railway lines, in Boston, was declared off at an early hour Saturday morning, and the running of cars was resumed. Some of the strikers will not be taken back, other men having been employed in their places.

Mrs. Beecher's Hip Broken.

Stamford, Conn., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher was attacked with dizziness when she arose early Sunday morning, and fell to the floor, breaking her hip. Mrs. Beecher is eighty four years old, and it is doubtful if she will be able to walk again, even with crutches.

Foreign Heirs and Illinois Lands.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A suit has been begun in Rockford, Ill., to secure for Winnebago County the property of Richard Horsfall, who died in 1894, leaving a farm of $20,000 to English heirs. The suit is under the State law for the forfeiture of lands which would go to foreign heirs, and is the first of its kind on record there.

Armenians Dissatisfied.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The Armenians are dissatisfied with the terms of the amnesty granted a few days ago by the Sultan, as it does not improve the condition of the Armenian prisoners in Constantinople, and but few will benefit from it in the provinces.

Georgia's Anti-Trust Law.

Atlanta, Dec. 27.—Gov. Atkinson by his signature has made a law of the sweeping Anti-Trust bill passed by the Legislature. It is said that the bill was aimed at the American Tobacco Company, though it covers many things in general.

Do You Use It?

It's the best thing for the hair under all circumstances. Just as no man by taking thought can add an inch to his stature, so no preparation can make hair. The utmost that can be done is to promote conditions favorable to growth. This is done by Ayer's Hair Vigor. It removes dandruff, cleanses the scalp, nourishes the soil in which the hair grows, and, just as a desert will blossom under rain, so bald heads grow hair, when the roots are nourished. But the roots must be there. If you wish your hair to retain its normal color, or if you wish to restore the lost tint of gray or faded hair use

Ayer's Hair Vigor.

The fight for United States Senator is between John Wanamaker and Boies Penrose, both of Philadelphia. Each one claims to have the lead.

While out hunting on last Wednesday morning, Elliot Ebner, aged 45 years of Millville, accidently shot himself, and died in a few minutes.

An order has been made by the court directing the list of applications for licenses to be published in the Benton *Argus* and Bloomsburg *Republican*.

We will give to the needy ones on January 1st. between the hours of 1 to 5 o'clock P. M. Two hundred loaves of bread and two hundred cans of corn at the Philadelphia Cash Grocery Store. 2nd and Market Street, Bloomsburg. RIGGINS & Co,

The basket ball game in Normal gymnasium on Tuesday night, between Danville and Bloomsburg, resulted in a victory for the town boys, —score 9 to 8. The Danville boys played a dashing game, and gave their opponents all they wanted to do to win.

The men lined up as follows:

Bloomsburg	Positions	Danville
Young	attack	Bedea
Moore	attack	Marks
Aldinger	center	Limberger
Harrar	defense	Breckbill
Harman	defence	Gaskins

Goals from field Bedea 2, Limberger 1, Moore 2. Goals from fouls, Bedea 1, Limberger 1, Moore 5. Final score Bloom 9 Danville 8.

Referee, Worthington, Umpires, VanHorn and Douglass.

"Where Doctors Disagree."

There has been a great deal of disagreement from time to time about the therapeutic value of sarsaparilla. In the main, authorities deny any particular medical value to the plant. "It's just an old wive's remedy," they say. And in the main they are right. There are about a dozen varieties of sarsaparilla, scattered through various countries, and of this dozen only one has any real curative power. So a man whose experience might be confined to the eleven other varieties might honestly say there was little value in them. The one valuable sarsaparilla is found in Honduras, C. A. Monardes, a physician of Seville, records the introduction of sarsaparilla into Spain as a result of the Spanish discoveries of the New World, between 1536 and 1545. But the root did not accomplish much. But he adds, "a better sort soon after came from Honduras." It is this "better sort" that is used exclusively in Ayer's Sarsaparilla. And it is the use of this "better sort" that has given Ayer's Sarsaparilla prominence over all other varieties by reason of its wonderful cures of blood diseases. Send for the Curebook, a "story of cures told by the cured." Free. Address J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR RENT. The west half of a double house on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Possession given on December 1st. All modern conveniences. Rent reasonable. Apply to J. W. Conner, Orangeville, or D. W. Campbell, Bloomsburg. 11-19-tf.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

= = A COAT SALE. = =

We have reduced the prices on all coats to close them out quickly. Now is your chance of buying a coat for little money, and the best part of winter before you for wearing it. First comers get the choice. They are all of this season's newest and choicest coats.

A $12.50 ladies' coat for $8.50.
A $ 7.50 " " " $5.00.
A $10.00 " " " $7.00.

And other grades higher and lower. Don't delay. Now is your time for buying a high grade coat for little money.

Dress Goods.

We have reduced the price of many lots of dress materials that we will include in the coat sale. So here's a chance for you dress goods buyers, as well as the coat wanters. It will pay you to see them.

Underwear.

You want underwear this weather. We think it would pay you to examine our lines. Both ladies' and children's goods.

Flannel Skirts.

We have reduced the prices of ladies' flannel skirts to move them quickly. Now is your opportunity of procuring a first-class woolen skirt for little money.

Leggins, wool hoods, ice wool squares, wool caps, children's caps.

Outing flannel night gowns—full line.

Kid Gloves.

Try our one dollar kid glove.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

We are getting ready for a big sale of all cold weather goods.

They are in our store and will now be pushed to the front.

Don't make a mistake and go somewhere else for a good pair of blankets, but come and see what we can do for you. The prices will go with the lateness of the season.

Don't make the same mistake and look other places for a good dress pattern, either in black, brown, green, blue, rough or smooth, before you see our line.

People often say "we will not take the time to look around for a Cape or Coat." It will pay you to look as far as our corner. Especially now, as we have a big line of fur and other capes sent us for sale at prices to match any store outside of New York or Philadelphia. It is the first party who suffer, not us.

Jacket stock yet good.

Keep your eye on our winter bargains to be soon offered for CASH ONLY.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

IN offering our patrons the compliments of the season, and thanking them very heartily for their patronage during 1896, we are pleased to say that as the curtain rises for 1897, it finds us still "on the stage," better equipped than ever to act our part as the leading Jewelers and Stationers.

During the past year, in spite of the "hard times" we have been pushing ahead adding to our stock and increasing our facilities for doing both work and business, so that we open the new year decidedly in advance of any house of our kind in Columbia county.

We appreciate however, that it is but by the kind patronage of our friends that success can be maintained, so in the future as in the past, shall always strive to merit their favor. We remain

Yours very truly,

HESS BROTHERS

Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers. Bloomsburg, Pa.

TELEPHONE.

CANDY, FRUIT AND NUTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

The finest assortment of candy to be found is here, prices from 10c. to 60c. lb., all fresh and pure.

ORANGES, BANANAS AND GRAPES.
——All Kinds of Nuts.——

It will be to your advantage to call before purchasing.

I. G. DEITRICK,

TELEPHONE CONNECTION. MARKET SQUARE.

IN BAD FORM.

Wanted to Feel Comfortable and Dress for the Occasion.

"Good day, lady," he said, with the soft, insinuating tone of the professional mendicant; "I hopes as yer well this lovely day."

"Take your muddy feet off that doorstep."

"Certainly. Allus willin' ter 'blige a lady."

"I haven't any cold meat."

"No?"

"Nor any left over coffee."

"It's kind of an off day in the commissary department, ain't it?"

"I s'pose you'd be willing to eat some pie if I had it on hand and didn't know how to get rid of it. But I haven't any."

"Pie has got to be an old story with me. I don't want any."

"I suppose, then, that you'd like to have me give you my husband's Prince Albert coat and his broadcloth pantaloons."

"No'm. That ain't exactly what I want, but you're warm. I'm so loaded down with things ter eat what the lady furder back gimme that the idee of eatin' is positively unpleasant ter me. An' de lady I seen jes' before that gimme sech a supply of clothes that I had ter give some of 'em away cos I didn't have enough Saratoga trunks an' dress-suit cases ter carry 'em around in. There's only three articles I need now, an' I don't guess I've struck the right house fur anything so up-ter-date. I may be down in the world, but I likes ter preserve the proprieties of gents' attire. I've been intendin' ter take a wheelin' trip through the country——"

"Do you mean to say that you ride a bicycle?"

"Not exactly on a bicycle. I see de bicycle's two wheels an' go 'em two better. This trip is on the truck under a freight car, but it's wheelin' jes' the same. An' I've put off startin' fur more'n three days now in hopes somebody in this community 'd be up-ter-date enough ter have a pair o' knickerbockers an' some golf stockings that they could gimme so's I'd feel comfortable an' dressed fur the occasion."—Detroit Free Press.

Making it Plain.

The young woman from Boston was at the table in a railroad restaurant in the far West, and, when she essayed to cut the steak with which she had been served, she discovered that what she needed was a higher education in athletics. After four or five ineffectual attempts to dissect it, she called to the waiter.

"Cahn't you," she asked, "give me a bit of steak which is characterized by less tenacity of tissue?"

The waiter looked staggered and a cowboy across the table looked up.

"I didn't quite ketch, mum," said the waiter, bending forward with his hand to his ear.

"I said"—and there was a shade of annoyance in her tone—"that I desired a portion of steak in which the coherence of the molecules was not so apparent."

"Oh," stammered the waiter, and he stood fixed with his mouth open in amazement.

The young woman became embarrassed.

"Here," snorted the gallant cowboy coming to the rescue, with a sounding whack on the table, "git a move on you; what the lady wants is a piece of meat that ain't so tough she can't stick her purty tooth into it. See?" and the young woman actually smiled as the waiter hurried away.—Detroit Free Press.

He Was Conscientious.

There was an anxious, doubtful look on the young fellow's face, as he paced up and down the aisle in a Broadway cable car the other evening. There were half a dozen seats, yet the young man took no notice of them, and continued his restless pacing to and fro.

"Seats in front, plenty of 'em," said the conductor, brusquely.

The young man continued his patrol. A benevolent old gentleman pulled him by the coat and said: "Here's a seat, sir." The young man shook his head.

A newcomer entered the car, and, being an altogether officious person, pointed to the vacant seats. The young man still walked.

"Hello, Henry!" exclaimed a dapper young fellow, an acquaintance of the peripatetic, who just then bounced into the car. "Why don't you sit down? What in the world makes you walk up and down like that?"

"Conscientious scruples," said the young pedestrian. "You see, I promised her that I would walk down to the florist and get some roses for her. I would much have preferred to ride, you know. It's hot and dusty, and so I'm compromising with myself by walking and riding at the same time."

He turned on his heel and passed up the car.—New York Herald.

A Gifted Genius.

The new reporter had admitted that his knowledge of newspaper work was slight, but as the staff was short he was taken on. That he was a good man he showed that evening in a style peculiarly his own.

He had been taken a late supper at an all night restaurant, and some little controversy arose while he was there. Grasping at once the fact that this was a news item, he stopped not to witness the trouble, but rushed to the office.

"Say," grasped he, out of breath, "there's a man trying to kill the waiter over at the Australian restaurant. You'd better send a reporter over there right away."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Cop's Presence of Mind.

We have great cause to be thankful for the efficiency of the police. The following incident well illustrates their invariable presence of mind: A small boy happened to be crossing a bridge just as another small boy fell into the water. A policeman asked the boy on the bridge whether he could swim. The boy said he could, and with great presence of mind the officer thereupon dropped him over the balustrade into the river. After a hard struggle the boy who was dropped in succeeded in rescuing the one who fell in. The policeman has not yet been promoted for his bravery.—San Francisco Wave.

THE FARM

It is not essential to keep growing chickens fat.

Clean the nests regularly to keep them free of vermin.

If the hens lay soft-shelled eggs give them plenty of gravel.

To make most profitable fowls, they should be fattened rapidly.

The food must always be varied enough to keep the chickens with a good appetite.

Too much soft or cooked food is not good for fowls. They need some employment for the gizzard.

Overfeeding is expensive. It not only costs more for the feed, but the hens get too fat and lay no eggs.

Cockerels too young and small to sell for broilers now may be made profitable by caponizing a little later on.

It does not pay to raise scrub stock. Sell the scrubs and get well-bred animals. This is a good year to make the change, while prices are low.

We do not advise any one to caponize young turkeys. They are too tender and the operation is attended with great risk and little benefit results from it.

The early-hatched pullets are now large enough to permit of intelligent selection. The culls should be disposed of, and the best reserved for laying and breeding.

There is one crop which is nearly always below the demand in supply, and that is popcorn. This country uses it largely, but does not grow enough, although it sells at a good price.

Spread the onions on shelves in thin layers and do not disturb them until they are wanted for use. Onions may freeze and thaw several times during the winter without injury if they are not handled.

A superb hog feed, for any age and almost any condition, says an exchange, is corn, wheat and oats of equal parts, coarsely chopped and fed any way the hogs like it—cooked or raw, soaked or dry.

In Russia sunflowers are made special crops, the seed being ground and used for cattle, the same as cottonseed meal, and such food is not only wholesome, but gives excellent results in milk and butter.

As soon as the rot is observed in the egg plant, writes an authority, "dust the spot with air-slacked lime, and in a day or two the rot will have dried up; the spot disappears, and the fruit will mature in good condition.

A fruit grower thinks one of the best ways of manuring strawberries or other small fruits is to scatter broadcast between the rows, and then work into the soil with a cultivator, taking care always to have it reasonably well fined.

Beets, turnips and carrots keep in good condition in winter if stored in pounds, and apples should remain in good condition all through the winter in a dry cellar. The chief obstacle is not the cold, but usually too much warmth.

A grape vine or any other kind of a vine, trained on an arbor over the cistern or well does not keep the water cooler during warm weather, but furnishes a very inviting shade to the farmer who comes in hot from the field and thirsting for a cool drink.

The gain from fall plowing is that the naked surface is easily made into a mellow bed by cultivation, if the winter is just right; but this gain is often offset by too great a loss of fertility to make it generally profitable. It is far better if the field is covered by a protecting sod.

An old broncho buster gives the following as a sure way to cure a horse of kicking: "The way we fix a kicking horse is to tie one of his forelegs with a rope to the hind leg on the other side. Then, as soon as he starts to kick, he jerks his front leg off the ground and goes down in a heap. Two or three doses of that kind will cure the worst case you can find."

The outcry in Europe against diseased beef is not sustained by statistics. It has been found that one out of every seven cattle shipped from Australia to England died while in transit; that of those shipped from South America one out of every twenty-five died, while of those that were shipped from the United States and Canada, but one in every 200 died in transit. This would indicate that our cattle surpass the rest of the world in excellence of condition, and that any discrimination against us is practically without reasonable foundation.

Cranberries—The Spicy Fall Berry.

In cooking cranberries, never add sugar till they have cooked long enough for the skins to crack open. Then put it in liberally and let the same cook for fifteen minutes longer. Allow them to cook down, after the sugar is put in, until they are nearly ready to jelly; the ideal cranberry sauce does not consist of one cranberry floating in a tablespoonful of hot pinkish water. Many appetizing desserts can be made from cranberries. Dumplings made as apple dumplings, with a handful of sweetened cranberries in place of apples, are very nice. A delicious pudding may be made with a layer of bread crumbs, then one of cranberries, then sugar, bits of butter and the favorite spice; then another layer of bread and cranberries until the pudding dish is full. Have the top layer of the bread crumbs. Pour over the whole a cupful or more of fruit juice into which a beaten egg has been stirred, and let the pudding bake until the cranberries are done. Serve with sweet pudding sauce.—The House Queen.

Pneumatic Tires.

Pneumatic tires and motor carriages may together solve the good road problem in a very unexpected way by rendering stone or other hard roads unnecessary. The horseless carriage is surely coming, and as it is estimated that two-thirds of the wear of roads is caused by horses' feet, the motor will make a great saving. Then again some French engineers from careful tests have learned that the pneumatic tire saves from 30 to 50 per cent. of the power necessary to haul a load. This on roads covered with snow, mud and slush. A properly grained gravel road or even dirt may answer the purposes of the future vehicle.

LARGEST BRANDY STILL.

California Boasts an Establishment Turning Out 15,000 Gallons Daily.

The largest brandy still in the world is at the El Pinal vineyard in San Joaquin County, not far from Stockton. Part of it has been built about four years and the other part was finished only a short time ago. As is well known, the El Pinal vineyard has always made a specialty of brandy and sweet wines. It was the intention of the proprietors to do this when they went into business, and for that reason they had the largest still built that was ever put up. That was, as has been stated, about four years ago, and even then it was ahead of anything in existence. It could produce more brandy in twenty-four hours than any other still in the world, and it has not been surpassed since. But even that was not enough to supply all the alcohol needed in their business, so another still was built and made to work in connection with the original one. The two are really one still, as they are used, and have about three times the capacity of any other still in the world.

This enormous machine is located in a building by itself, and part of the year is kept running day and night. It is very complicated in its workings, so that a description of that part of it cannot be attempted here. It will be sufficient to state that the grape juice or wine is pumped from vats to a tank on top of the hill. From there it simply passes through a series of heated chambers in the form of a vapor and comes out in the shape of brandy.

It can be tested in the different chambers and the change noted. In the first chamber it is little more than warm wine, and it gradually gets stronger and stronger until it is sharp to taste. From the time the wine leaves the tank until it comes out as grape brandy only ten minutes is occupied. In the old method of distilling it used to take about three hours.

In appearance the largest brandy still in the world is simply a conglomeration of tanks, pipes and boilers. The capacity of this still is enough to make a person wonder what becomes of all its products. When running full time it can convert 15,000 gallons of wine into brandy in a day. This will make about 4,000 gallons every twenty-four hours, or enough to keep about 40,000 men in a state of intoxication during that time. In a month there would be enough of brandy on hand to intoxicate 1,700,000 men, or about the entire population of New York. But, as it happens, very little of this brandy is sold as brandy. It is used to fortify sweet wines, so that they will be in condition to keep until ready to send to market. The alcohol acts as a preservative of the grape juice the same as it would of anything else. It keeps it from turning sour.—San Francisco Call.

Wagner as a Hero.

Never was there a sorrier hero than Wagner, this selfish voluptuary who was content to gratify his luxurious tastes at the expense of his friends, but was too independent to feel grateful for their sacrifices; whose self-indulgence was so much of a disease that he smoked in order not to miss a sensation which others enjoyed, and was capable of driving his host into the streets in the small hours of the morning to replenish his snuff-box; and of whom his ardent champion, the late Ferdinand Praeger, has to confess that while he was ready enough to enter into a quarrel he "always moved away when it looked like coming to blows." Wagner's callous neglect of his first wife, who had been his slave through years of penury qualified by prodigality, provoked the remonstrances of his friends, and forced Mr. Praeger to say: "I can testify that Wagner suffered severely from thoughtlessness." No shabbier letter was ever penned than the one he wrote to Mr. Praeger when he found that the long-suffering woman had confided her troubles to their common friend. "How could she have expected," he plaintively asks, "that I was to be schackled and fettered as any ordinary, common, cold mortal? My inspirations carried me into a sphere where she could not follow, and then the exuberance of my heated enthusiasm was met by my cold douche." The familiar plea that there should be one law for genius and another for the "common mortal" is not intolerable when urged by the apologetic hero-worshipper; from the hero himself it comes with but ill grace. "I liked every luxury—she fettered me there," he bleats of the woman who had striven so hard to save him from the ruin threatened by his colossal extravagance.—Blackwood's Magazine.

Average.

A very common word, to be sure, and well understood as to its application. But after fair translation of its old French body—"aver"—into English, and only "horse" is found, and the word becomes "horsage," the change tends to confusion. None the less, "horsage" and "average" are identical, since in the old-time French an "aver" was a horse. It was also a horse in the Scotch dictionaries, and in one of Burns' poems, "A Dream," he alludes to a horse as a "noble aiver." In olden times in Europe a tenant was bound to do certain work for the lord of the manor—largely in carting grain and turf—horse-work; and in the yearly settlement of accounts the just proportion of the large and small work performed was estimated according to the word done by "avers" (horses); hence our common word "average."

The First Photograph.

A French dealer, in "Notes and Queries," has discovered that Fenelon, in 1690, foreshadowed the photograph, and that a less known author, Tiphaigne, in 1760, in his odd book called "Giphantie," described the photograph process very closely. He said: "The rays of light reflected from objects make a picture on all polished surfaces—the retina of the eye, glass, etc. Now we have sought to fix this fugitive image; we have invented a substance, very delicate, viscous and quick to dry and harden; by means of this a picture is made in an instant. We then back this up with a piece of cloth, and present it to the objects we wish to point."

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No Patents in Japan.

No patent is granted to a foreigner in Japan. No foreign inventor, by applying through a Japanese citizen, can obtain a patent except by fraud. If a patent were obtained by a false representation that the Japanese citizen was the inventor, and it was discovered that he was not, the patent would be at once cancelled. It is precisely the same with trade marks and designs—there is no registration and no protection. The result is that all goods of foreign produce and manufacture, of which the label is worth copying, can be bought all over Japan of Japanese manufacture, and at a quarter of a fractional part of the cost of the original and genuine foreign made article.

An Unfortunate Bondsman.

Some months ago B. F. Cutler of Pittston, who deserted his wife, was sentenced to pay her $20 a month. W. L. McDougall, also of Pittston, became Cutler's bondsman, furnishing $1,000 bail for the faithful performance of the sentence. After paying for three months Cutler refused to give his wife any more money, and McDougall has been compelled to pay her $20 a month for three months. He had Cutler brought into court Saturday, but Judge Bennett said the court was powerless to relieve him of the responsibility and he would have to continue the payments.

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Coming Gold Shipments.

Never in the past history of the United States has there been such an excess of exports over imports, in the five months ending November 30 of any year, as in the year 1896. The excess amounts to $191,130,269. Yet, in spite of this favorable balance of trade, it is quite probable that we shall follow up our immense shipments of cotton, breadstuffs and various merchandise by renewed shipments of gold. Remarking on this probability the Financial Chronicle, December 19, says:

Wherein then does the reason lie for our being just on the edge of gold shipments—a trade-contracting influence under present circumstances—when we ought to be receiving gold and thereby recuperating and reviving our half-dead industries? The answer bankers give to this question is everywhere the same. Their opinion is that the anomaly is accounted for by the unnatural congestion of money in New York City, keeping the rates all the time lower here than in Europe. Now it is Berlin that is about to take advantage of this situation. Money is active at 5 per cent. there: here it is say 2½ per cent. and going a-begging at that. Why should not Berlin bankers call on their near neighbor London for their gold? Why should they come all the way to America and go nowhere else? Because New York is not only the cheapest money market there is in the world, but it is the only market that cannot be influenced by a rise in foreign exchange or even by a withdrawal of gold. In London money hardens as soon as the exchanges turn against that centre because its currency is the world's currency. America, on the other hand, suffers because its currency is wholly out of touch with the world's currency except through the United States Treasury, and when redeemed in gold there it has to be paid out again as soon as redeemed.

This explanation hits the target in the very bull's eye. We have cheap and abundant money, but no use for it as long as there is no assurance of a remedy for a financial situation which keeps us at the call and beck of gold hoarders and borrowers the world over. Meantime the leaders of the Republican party seemed disposed to kick the ladder on which they climbed to power from under their own feet. They propose to ignore the issue on which McKinley carried New York, Kentucky, Indiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin and start out on new tariff-tinkering enterprises. The business of the country has been tariff-tinkered to death. Business needs rest. It needs to be let alone. It needs such assurance as an immediate, courageous reform of the currency would instantaneously bring.

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Demorest's Magazine for January is only another proof that this excellent magazine is growing better with each issue, and, valuable as it has been, it even excels itself in this number.

Alice Barber Stephens contributes a full-page colored picture, "Christmas Shopping," which has all the grace and attractiveness that this artist's work usually has, and is reproduced in soft, beautiful colors which make it a most attractive frontispiece. Four other handsome full-page pictures and two pages of notable portraits are followed by the leading article of the number, "The National Horse Show," which is full of lively interest and is illustrated with the most spirited and artistic drawings by Max Klepper, Clinedinst, and others. Two interesting articles on the queer and always interesting Chinese are furnished: "Chinatown in New York," describing the curious habits of the Chinamen who flock to that city, and beautifully illustrated with pictures of the men and their houses; and "Chinese Superstitions," by Henry Liddell, M. D., which is full of new and curious bits of information.

The rigors of a Winter in the Yellowstone Park are vividly described and finely illustrated. Under the title "Is Chivalry Dead?" several prominent women discuss the manners of men and women in business and show that at least they are not all of the same opinion.

The fiction of the number is of the very best. One of Gilbert Parker's finest stories is given. Margaret Sutton Briscoe concludes her sparkling little play, "A Dinner Engagement," and J. T. Newcomb contributes "The Curing of the College Graduate." All the departments are up to the usual high standard, brimming over with useful, practical suggestions and information concerning many topics of current interest in science, letters, art, sanitation, and the household. The fashion department is larger than usual this month, is beautifully illustrated, and full of suggestion and helpfulness.

Is it "overwork" that has filled this country with nervous dyspeptics?—that takes the flesh aff their bones, the vitality from their blood, and makes them feeble, emaciated and inefficient? No. It is bad cooking, overeating of indigestible stuff, and other health-destroying habits.

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Bryan for the Senate.

Allen Willing to Retire to Make Room for the Silver Champion.

William Vincent Allen, senior senator from Nebraska, appears to be willing to sacrifice himself if William Jennings Bryan expresses a desire to succeed him in the senate. Senator Allen was asked how he regarded the gossip connecting Bryan's name with the Nebraska senatorship. In reply he stated his readiness to give up his seat to the leader of the Democratic party in the recent election.

"It is the privilege of every American citizen to aspire for any or all the offices in the power of his fellow citizens to bestow," said he. "I don't know that Mr. Bryan desires to come to the senate, but if he does, he will have no warmer friend or more stalwart supporter than William Allen, now senator from Nebraska."

This declaration is regarded as indicative of a perfect understanding between the eminent Nebraskans, and that when the time comes to elect a legislature that will choose Allen's successor they will be found acting together, to the end that Nebraska's governor, who is credited with having senatorial aspirations, does not capture the legislature. Allen's readiness to step out of Bryan's way is explained by the supposition that he knows positively that he is not desiring a senatorial seat.

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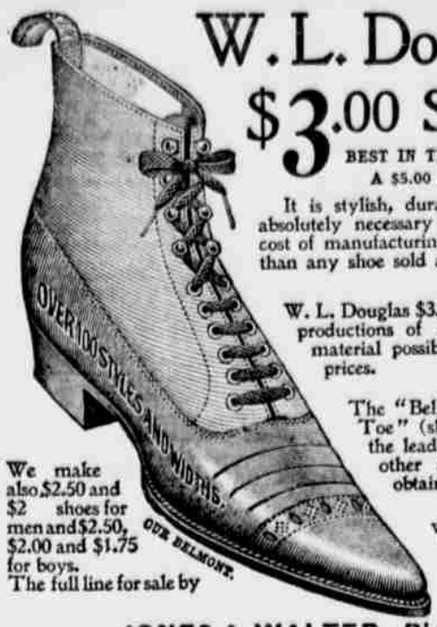

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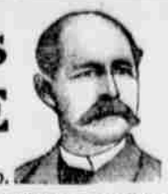

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Constables Must Report.

Judge Scott Lays Down the Law on Liquor Selling.

Judge Scott, in charging the Grand Jury at the December term of criminal Court, in Easton, took occasion to score constables who do not heed the law relative to the sale of liquors. He pointed out that the law was plain in saying that it was the duty of constables to report to court all places where liquor was sold, and that while the law did not contemplate their neglecting their occupations or playing detective, it did require them to name all placss where liquors are sold, whether licensed or unlicensed, and which can be learned of by the exercise of ordinary diligence.

Judge Scott also said the law made it the duty of the Court to see that the constables performed their duty faithfully, and that when a constable was guilty of willfully or negligently making a false return he was liable to arrest and, on conviction, to a fine of $500 and imprisonment for two years. The Judge spoke at considerable length and gave fair warning that this law would be rigidly enforced hereafter.

Later a constable from Hellertown asked if it was a violation for a boy of 16 to play pool in a hotel. Judge Scott told him that if a hotel proprietor was convicted of allowing pool playing by boys he would lose his license.

Who Was It?

One of Shamokin's most notorious young women met a young man from Milton a few months ago and it appears that he fell in love with her and proposed marriage. A few evenings ago, it is alleged, the couple appeared before one of the local ministers and asked him to marry them. When the minister asked her the question whether she would "love, honor and obey," the girl answered "no," which settled the ceremony and the couple took their departure.—*Shamokin Dispatch.*

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My son was afflicted with catarrh. I induced him to try Ely's Cream Balm and the disagreeable catarrhal smell all left him. He appears as well as any one.—J. C. Olmstead, Arcola, Ill.

Criminal Costs Bill.

Senator-elect Miller, of Berks county, is preparing a number of bills which he will introduce into the Legislature. One provides that where the costs are imposed in criminal cases upon any person, such person must pay them or serve in the county jail, not less than ten nor more than sixty days. It is believed that this change would save Berks Co. at least $20,000 a year.—*Ex.*

While cutting trees for firewood near Emporium, a few days ago, Frank Peasley felled a tree on his 14-year-old son, Arthur, killing him instantly. The scene of the accident was nearly a mile from home and the heart broken father carried his dead boy home on his shoulders.

Feeling among the workmen at Carnegie's Duquesne works is against the man who invented a new device to make steel from molten iron as it flows, and which threw 100 men out of employment.

Most girls are dressed to kill when they go out "sleighing."

Jules Simon and Littre.

Simon hated slang. On one occasion his interlocutor was Littre, his fellow member in the Versailles days of the national assembly. Littre was not at all opposed to argot. He employed many collaborators to look out quotations for him for his dictionary, and no restrictions were imposed. The collaborators might cull them from the most harum scarum vaudeville.

"Do you know, my dear Littre," said Simon one afternoon, "do you know that you do not use sufficient circumspection with regard to your dictionary? I find words there which are downright slang."

Littre began to feel somewhat uneasy. "Tell me, what are they?" he asked.

"Well, there is, for instance, the word 'guibolle' for leg."

"The word 'guibolle' in my dictionary?" gasped the philologist, turning paler than usual and rushing to the library to look at his own book, in which of course he did not find the incriminated term. It was merely a joke on the part of the minister of public education.—*Fortnightly Review.*

What It Cost.

"The St. Clair shooting cost Northumberland county between fourteen and fifteen hundred dollars. This is interesting information for the taxpayers of the county and they will soon begin to kick at the benefits that Milton is receiving at the county's expense. It isn't long since the commissioners gave us a nice $57,500 bridge at a net cost of $67,000 to the taxpayers, and now the county has to foot a $1,500 bill just to teach presumptuous people in adjoining counties that they cannot come to Milton and look sideways at out street loafers and toughs without being shot down. Strangers traveling our streets must neither look to the right nor to the left. If insulted they must go right along, and if they are knocked down with a stone they should get up and how reverently to the individual who cast it. For all they know he may be the high-cock-a-lorum of some Christian benevolent institution and this may be his peculiar method of making them see the error of their ways."—*Milton Standard.*

There are three prisoners to every cell in the Schuylkill County jail at Pottsville.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Penna., the undersigned executor of the last will and testament of George Bower, late of Briarcreek township in the said county deceased, will sell at public sale on the premises, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1897,

at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, the following described real estate, to-wit:

No. 1. A tract of land situate in Briarcreek township, Columbia county, Pa., adjoining land of David Kisner, David Shaffer, James Evans and others, containing

30 ACRES AND 14 PERCHES

No. 2. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said Briarcreek township, in said county, adjoining lands of William Yohe, William Girton, Henry Martz, Ephriam Evans and others, containing

EIGHTEEN ACRES,

more or less; whereon are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

barn and outbuildings.

No. 3. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said township of Briarcreek in said county, adjoining lands of William Evans, James Lemons, John Fester and John Doak, containing

TWENTY ACRES,

more or less.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property, fifteen per cent. at the confirmation of sale, and the remaining three-fourths in one year from said sale, together with interest thereon from confirmation nisi. Purchaser to pay for deed. Purchaser will be required to give bond with good and approved security for the faithful payment of the purchase money according to the above conditions.

JAMES BOWER,
Executor.

Zarr & Freeze, Attorneys. 12-31 ts.

FOOT BALL CAPTAIN DEAD.

Frank Cessna Killed by Exertion in a Cross Country Run.

Frank Cessna, captain of the Franklin and Marshall College foot ball team, died suddenly at the home of his parents in Altoona, Sunday afternoon, from injury to his heart.

Last Thursday at the college he and a number of other students took a cross-country run for exercise, and in this he over-exerted himself and injured his heart. He came home, but was not confined to his bed, and was not thought to be seriously ill when he dropped dead. He was 21 years old, a member of the class of '98, and an excellent scholar.

"Don't rely too much on the man who hesitates to tell a lie" says the *Manayunk Philosopher.* "He may have an impediment in his speech."

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., all that lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on Main or Second street of said town at corner of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker, thence along Second street westwardly a distance of thirty-two feet to a post, thence by other land of Anna M. Lorah, lately lot of Levi Cox, northwardly eighty feet to a post in other lands of Anna M. Lorah; thence along said land forty-one feet to a post in line of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker aforesaid; thence along the line of said Rinker lot southwardly eighty feet to the place of beginning; containing three thousand square feet be the same more or less, whereon is erected a two story and a half double

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE.

ALSO: all that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a corner of Railroad street and an alley running from Knorr's blacksmith shop to Fishing creek; thence along said alley north seventy-seven degrees east sixty-five feet to corner of lot of Mrs. John Rinker; thence by the same south seventy-six and three-fourth degrees east

feet to lot of Anna M. Lorah; thence by the same south thirteen degrees west forty-one feet to a corner; thence by the same southwardly eighty feet to Second street of said town; thence along the north side of Second street westwardly to the corner of Railroad Iron street; and thence along the east side of said Railroad Iron street northwardly to the corner of the alley aforesaid the place of beginning, whereon is erected a large three story

FRAME STORE BUILDING

and dwelling house attached, and a two story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

and stable.

Seized, taken into execution at the suits of The Locust Mountain Saving and Loan Association vs. Jacob Lorah and Anna M. Lorah, and Levi Cox and Sarah Eliza Cox vs. Jacob Lorah and Anna M. Lorah and to be sold as the property of Anna M. Lorah.

J. B. McHENRY,
Sheriff.

L. S. Wintersteen, atty.
12-10-ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of A. K. Smith, deceased, after proceedings in partition had in said estate, will expose at public sale on the premises at Jerseytown, Madison township, said county of Columbia, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, being a house and lot of ground situated at Jerseytown said township of Madison, bounded on the north by public road leading from Buckhorn to Muncy, on the east by said public road and lot of Urtah Welliver, on the south by lot of Emery Welliver, Mrs. Chas. Fruit and D. R. Johnson's estate, and on the west by public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville, whereon are erected a

TWO AND ONE-HALF STORY HOTEL,

barn and other out-buildings, and is supplied with good spring water, and has been licensed as a HOTEL FOR MORE THAN FORTY YEARS.

Possession will be given February 1st, 1897.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent. of one-fourth of the purchase money shall be paid at the striking down of the property; the one-fourth less the ten per cent. at the confirmation absolute; and the remaining three-fourths in one year after confirmation nisi, with interest from that date.

JOHN B. CASEY,
Trustee.

Robt. Buckingham, atty.
12-10-ts.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the hall, Centre Grange, No. 56 P. of H., on January 11, 1897, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. for the election of twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. H. BROWN,
Secretary.

12-24-3t.

ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company at the banking house in Bloomsburg, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to serve for the ensuing year.

H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.

12-24.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election by the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon:

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12-3-4t.

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Office in Lockard's Building.
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The Girls and the Prince.

When the Prince of Wales was in America, in 1860, he was a young man of nineteen and unmarried. Naturally, the American girls were deeply interested in him, and a period of the most romantic excitement ensued in all the cities. Every subterfuge to dance with the young Prince was resorted to, and members of his party were bribed to arrange a waltz with the Heir Apparent; the most unusual expedients were resorted to by girls. His baggage was kissed as it was put aboard the cars, and when he left a hotel room women would rush in and carry away in bottles the water in which he had washed his face. Church people forgot themselves and stood on the cushions of the pews in order to see the Royal visitor. On every hand it was a season of excitement, and balls, dinners, fetes and receptions ruled. One of the Prince's party was Stephen Fiske, the journalist, who was delegated by the elder James Gordon Bennett, of *The New York Herald*, to remain with the Prince while he was in America. Naturally, Mr. Fiske saw all the incidents of His Royal Highness' tour. Taking a liking to the American journalist the young Prince saw that he was present upon all occasions. Now Mr. Fiske has written out the whole story, and it will form the January installment of *The Ladies' Home Journal's* series of "Great Personal Events." Illustrations of some of the great scenes have been made, and these will be given with the article in the January *Journal*.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN O.

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There does not seem to be any immediate danger of war with Spain. Senator Campbell's resolution to the effect that the United States recognize Cuba as a republic, is not likely to pass at this session, and if it does, President Cleveland will refuse to act upon it, as he claims that the power to recognize a new nation rests with the executive alone. Meanwhile Spain is getting her warships ready.

A Large Family.

The town of Olean, Pa., claims the championship big family of the country, the head of which is W. A. Field. He is a happy father of thirty-four, twenty-seven of whom live at home with papa and mamma. The father is but fifty-seven years old, and his interesting brood consists of three sets of quadruplets, five sets of triplets, three sets of twins, while one, by some strange mischance, came into the world singly. Thirty-one of these children are living, eight being boys.

The Jackson & Woodin Manufacturing Company of Berwick presented the Bloomsburg telephone girls with very acceptable Christmas presents. Miss Laubach received a check for $20, Miss Moore a check for $20 and Miss Dewitt, the relief operator a check for $10. We have no doubt that their calls will be answered promptly.

T. F. Gallagher, the sign and scene painter and general board bill jumper, who secured some money from Mr. W. W. Wolfe as advance payment for work to be done in the Opera House, and then skipped the town, was brought back the other day and bound over to court.—*Lewisburg Saturday News.*

There are two new applicants for liquor license in Bloomsburg. Jerry A. Hess asks for a restaurant license for the room now occupied by him as a shoe store, and Harvey Deitterick wants a hotel license for Mrs. Phillips' building on Main Street above Center.

A Mt. Carmel Justice has purchased a phonograph. He has a cylinder with the marriage service on it and if a couple want to get married when the Justice is away from home all they have to do is to deposit the license and fee in a slot and start the machine. It does everything but kiss the bride.

The remains of Rev. Samuel Shannon were brought here on Wednesday morning for burial. He died in Washington, D. C., on December 27th. He was a prominent minister of the M. E. Church, and a son of the late Jesse Shannon. His age was about seventy-five years.

Clarence Welliver, son of the hardware merchant at Danville, committed suicide on Monday by taking laudanum. He was in his father's store at the time, and the cause of the deed is not known. He was about twenty-one years of age.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Wilkesbarre was totally destroyed by fire on Friday morning last.

DEATHS.

HOWELL.—Died in Fishingcreek township, on Dec. 21st, Mr. G. M. Howell, age 74 years, 3 months and 19 days.

I. G. Deitrich has the sole contract for the patent signal messenger service, and will introduce it in town shortly. The object and use of which is as follows: He will place the signal box on your house and the carriers will pass at regular intervals, collecting all messages which you will place in it and deliver them to their destination. You can send twenty or more messages a day for thirty days at a cost of 25 cents per month, or less than one cent a day. The scheme is a good one, it is in successful operation in other cities, and we see no reason why it would not pay here.

Big Treasury Notes.

There is only one $10.000 United States note in existence, and that has never been issued, but is kept in the treasury as a specimen. There are three $5.000 greenbacks. Two of them are in the treasury; the third was paid out several years ago, and is probably in the vault of some bank, because it has never been heard from since. $1.000 notes are numerous.

THE BROADWAY

BY THE TIME the public is reading this advertisement, the holiday trade of 1896 will be a thing of the past. In the great Christmas rush the great business principles of this store were fully carried out—*under-buy and under sell.* No fancy prices dampened the ardor of our Christmas shoppers, and our holiday lines were rapidly cleaned out. The few remaining lots are now offered at prices that do not bear a vestige of profit for us.

We now call attention to staple lines and quote below leading articles in different departments at prices that are matched by none.

HARDWARE.

Pocket knives, 3c, 5c, 10c, 20c each.
Razors, 48c, 56c and 88c each.
Scissors, 10c, 19c, 25c, 42c ea.
Table knives and forks, 35c, 65c to $1.50 per set.
Table knives only, 4c each.
Paring knives, 2c each.
Butcher knives, 8c, 10c, 24c each
Auger bits, assorted sizes, 10c each.
Auger braces, 25c each.
Nickle alarm clocks, warranted, 75c.
Coffee mills, 19c to 44c each.
Curry combs, 4c, 10c each.
Saw files, 2c, 3c, 4c each.
New King air rifles, 88c each.
Magnets, 1c and 2c each.
Harness snaps, 1c each.
Tea spoons, 3c ½ doz.
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Tinware and House Furnishing Goods.

Pint tin cups, 2c each.
Tin wash basins, 4c and 6c ea.
See the Japanese tin wash basin at 8c.
Pie dishes, 2c each.
Quart cups, 4c each.
Egg whips, 2c each.
Basting spoons, 2c to 8c each.
Vegetable graters, 4c each.
Funnels, 3c and 4c each.
Dippers, 4c and 5c each.
Coffee and tea pots, 8c, 10c and 12c each.
1, 2 and 3 qt. pails, 4c, 5c and 8c each.
Dust pans, 7c each.
Fire shovels, 8c each.
Dish pans, 14c, 16c, 19c to 27c each.
Painted chamber pails, 29c ea.
Large size wash boilers, enameled handles—always cold, copper bottom, with lid $1.19 each.
Cullenders, 10c each.
Flour sifters, 10c each.
Wire soap stands, 3c each.
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NOTIONS.

Needles, 1c. paper.
Pins, 1c. paper.
Darning cotton, 1c. card.
Embroidery cotton, 1c. spool.
Embroidery silk, 1c. spool.
Hooks and eyes, 1c. dozen.
Bone buttons, 1c. dozen.
Shoe strings, 3 pairs for 1c.
Shell hair pins, 3 for 1c.
Wire hair pins, 2 packages for 1c.
Corset lacers, 1c. each.
Pants buttons, 1c. dozen.
Linen thread, 2 spools 5c.
Good machine cotton, 2c. and 3c. sp.
Best machine cotton, 3 spools for 10c.
Darning needles, 2c. paper.
Mourning pins, 1c. box.
White tape, 1c. roll.

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Comforters, 59c, 88c to $1.98.
Blankets, 95c, 98c., $2.00 to $4.00 pr.
Rugs, 78c., $1.98 to $2.75 each.
Curtain poles, brass trimmings, 19c.
Japanese 4 fold screens, handsomely decorated. $1.75 each.
Telescopes, 50c. to $1.10 each.
Satchels, 39c. to 99c. each.
9 piece decorated chamber sets, $2.50 each.
Cotton bats, 7c., 10c., 13c., 15c. each.
Wash tubs, 65c., 75c., 85c. each.
Wash boards, 10c., 24c. each.
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Washing powder, 3c package.

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January 1st, 1897.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

On the first day of each year we announce a great sale of Muslin Underwear. It has always been our custom at this season to visit the large factories and make our contracts for the year. While on these visits we generally find quantities of well made garments that the manufacturers would rather sell in bulk than carry over. The lots we offer now are the very choicest of the factories' productions and were bought at phenomenally low prices. We are selling them at prices low enough to enable you to lay in a supply sufficient for a year. We would advise prompt orders by mail, as the lots, though large, will be broken soon. Our list of values explains more than we can write. Here they are:

GOWNS.

Women's Night Gowns, made of good quality muslin and well made, with tucked yoke trimmed with cambric ruffles and feather stitching, at 39c.

Fine Empire Gowns with ruffles of cambric and embroidered yoke 59c.

Very good Muslin Gowns, yoke of embroidery with Torchon inserting and 16 tucks, at 69c.

Splendid quality Muslin Gowns, yoke trimmed with fine Hamberg insertion, 24 tucks, and fine cambric embroidery, at 76c.

Rich Gowns with 30 tucks, yoke made of fine insertion, fancy Nainsook ruffle at front, neck and cuffs, 86c.

Very fine Gowns of splendid muslin, with pointed yoke, trimmed with open work inserting, beading and 30 tucks, V shaped neck, with rich cambric embroidery, 5 rows tucks, edged with open work embroidery 98c.

All the above are made in the latest styles, with large sleeves and finished with pearl buttons,

CHEMISE.

Good plain Chemise, made very full and of excellent wearing qualities 23c.

Chemise trimmed with row of insertion down front and fine cambric embroidery around neck and sleeves 34c.

Chemise same as above but with 28 fine tucks 47.

DRAWERS.

Drawers made of very good muslin, deep hem and six tucks above the hem, yoke bands with tape, 25c.

Muslin Drawers with deep ruffles, fine open work embroidery and three large tucks, 39c.

SKIRTS.

Umbrella Skirts with ruffles of deep cambric and very deep hem with large tucks above hem, 69c.

Good Muslin Skirts with 9 inch ruffle, open work embroidery, finished with fine tucks, 89c.

CORSET COVERS.

Fine Cambric Corset Covers, V back and front, deep embroidery, 25c.

Cambric Corset Covers trimmed with Hamberg open work embroidery, made V front and back, 34c.

NOTE--All of the above garments can be depended upon for quality, style and correctness of shape. All orders to receive best attention should be mailed not later than January 7th, after that time we cannot agree to deliver goods at these prices.

Respectfully,

Jonas Long's Sons

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SPECIAL BARGAINS

—FOR—

DECEMBER CASH SALE!

UPON our counters will be thrown, day after day, new arrivals which, in prices will positively be beyond the whisper of competition and comparison--prices that will teach you in the silent logic of truth the difference between dealing with live and with dead men--between the CASH and the credit system--between the RIGHT and the wrong way.

Coal oil,	2c. qt.	Baby's shoes,	10 to 25c.
Syrup,	15c. gal.	Children's shoes,	20 to 40c.
Best syrup,	25c. gal.	Misses' shoes,	25 to 50c.
5 lbs. good cakes,	25c.	Ladies' shoes,	75c to $1.00
Plug tobacco,	4 to 8c.	Men's shoes,	75c to 1.25.
Smoking tobacco,	4 to 7c.	Boy's boots & shoes,	50c to $1.25
Window glass,	3c.	Men's boots,	1.50 to 2.00.
Putty,	3 lbs. for 10c.	Ticking,	9 to 15c.
Lamp globes,	3 to 5c.	Outing flannel,	5 to 10c.
Teaspoons,	10c. set.	Table cloth,	20 to 35c.
Tablespoons,	15c. set.	Table oil cloth,	12½ to 15c.
2 foot rule,	5c.	Blankets,	50c to $1.00.
Best gun powder,	25c. lb.	Horse blankets,	90c to $1.00
Shot,	6 to 8c. lb.	Cotton flannel,	5 to 10c.
Gun caps,	5 to 8c.	Toweling,	5 to 10c.
Boy's suspenders,	5 to 10c.	Grain bags,	15 to 20c
Men's suspenders,	10 to 13c.	Plates,	3 to 8c.
Men's socks,	2 to 10c.	Vegetable dishes,	10 to 25c.
Misses' black hose,	5 to 8c.	Sugar bowls,	10 to 35c.
Ladies' vests,	20 to 35c.	Pitchers,	15 to 35c.
School bags,	10 to 15c.	Tureens,	25 to 50c.
Shears,	5 to 15c.	Valises,	30 to 90c.
Rulers,	1c.	Tubs,	40 to 90c.
Tablets,	1 to 5c.	Brooms,	2 for 25c.
Pass books,	1 to 10c.	Stove pipe,	5, 10, 15 to 20c.
Buttons,	1 to 5c.	Boilers,	25 to 75c.
Men's work suits,	75c.	Stone pots,	Cheap.
Ladies' collars,	3 to 10c.	Butter pails,	Cheap.
Ladies gloves,	5 to 25c.	Lanterns,	Cheap
Children's mittens,	8 to 20c.	Knives and Forks,	40 to 75c set

All goods will be sold for cash or exchanged for eggs and poultry.

SILAS YOUNG,

Light Street, Pa.